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Sheriff C. M. Wormell, Dead.

Our people were pained to learn, last Sunday morning, of the death of C. M. Wormell, a well-known and respected citizen of our town.

Mr. Wormell has been suffering poor health for several months, and yet it was not considered of a serious nature until within a few weeks when he went to Portland for treatment.

Shortly after he went to Portland, favorable reports were received from him, and his friends were considerably encouraged over the prospects for his recovery. This, however, was lost when subsequent reports were, to the effect that recovery was doubtful. The people were therefore partially prepared for the news of his death which came over the wire Sunday morning.

Mr. Wormell has served Oxford County as sheriff, and has been deputy sheriff for many years. In his sheriff work he was a marked success, and won for himself an enviable reputation, not only in his own county and State, but outside of their borders as well. He had a broad acquaintance and will be greatly missed.

The funeral was held in Portland yesterday, Rev. F. E. Barton of Bethel, officiating; and was attended by J. M. Philbrook, E. H. Young, A. W. Grover, and H. C. Barker also of Bethel, who served as bearers.

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THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

E. C. Park Esq., was at East Sumner, Monday.

Mrs. S. J. Walker is visiting her son in Auburn.

Miss Laura Hall is confined to her home by illness.

Miss Eva Twaddle is visiting friends in Farmington.

Mr. Hiram Twitchell is confined to the house by illness.

Miss Ethel Richardson is visiting friends in Portland.

Wilfred Bowler was in Bridgton on business, last week.

Walter Chandler spent Sunday with his children in Bethel.

Mr. O. C. York of Fairfield visited friends in town last week.

Mrs. Anson Hayford of Hanover was in our village Thursday.

The winter number of the Academy Herald has just been issued.

Rev. F. E. Rand preached at the Congregational church, last Sunday.

C. M. Kimball and John Holt of East Bethel were in the village Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lord of West Bethel visited friends in town Sunday.

Miss Hester M. Kimball visited Mrs. O. M. Mason, the first of the week.

The Ladies' Church Aid Society will meet with Mrs. Bistee, Thursday afternoon.

C. W. Willey and David York are cutting birch on the Milton Grover farm in Bethel.

Miss Hattie Foster went to Waltham, last Thursday, for a few weeks' visit with relatives.

Rev. J. B. Carruthers of Berlin, N. H., will occupy the Congregational pulpit, next Sunday.

H. M. Farwell has teams hauling wood from the Elias Thomas land near Bethel to Bethel village.

Judge Louis C. Stearns of Bangor was in town yesterday, called here by the death of Mrs. Stearns.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Rice have removed from Bethel to Corinth, where Mr. Rice has employment.

Owing to bad weather and worse traveling, the Fair at No. Newry has been postponed until to-morrow night.

Mr. William Sturdivant, who has spent several months in town, returned to his home in Fryeburg, last Sunday.

Prof. and Mrs. Franklin C. Robinson of Bowdoin College, were the guests of Judge and Mrs. A. E. Herrick over Sunday.

The February number of the Eastern State Normal School Echo has just been published at the News office.

Mr. William Merrill, one of Bethel's most popular wood sawyers, has been ill some days and unable to attend to his usual duties.

Miss Joan Stearns, who is in Boston receiving treatment for her hearing, is reported to be considerably improved. She will return to Bethel very soon.

Mr. Paul Ames of New York, who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Ames, and children, Kimball and Ruth, for the past week, has returned home.

Rev. Charles N. Gleason of Patchoque, N. Y., has accepted the call to the Bethel Congregational church, and will begin his labors here about the first of April.

The supper and social at the Universalist church last Friday evening was not so well attended as some of the previous ones, yet it was a success, and many young people spent a pleasant evening in the parlors.

Mr. Simeon Frost of Nobscot, Mass., arrived in Bethel last Thursday evening, and made a short visit with his daughter, Mrs. H. C. Barker, before proceeding to his destination at Hanover. Mr. Frost is over eighty years of age, and must have good courage to undertake the journey to this cold region, alone at this time of year.

Mr. Geo. H. Shirley has so far recovered as to attend to his correspondence with Bethel friends.

Mrs. E. E. Holt is very low. Mrs. Douglass who has been caring for her, for the past three months, is ill.

Mrs. Stearns, widow of the late Thomas Stearns, Jr., passed away Sunday at the advanced age of 90 years. Funeral services were held at her late residence on Paradise St., Tuesday, Rev. F. E. Rand officiating.

Mrs. John B. Chapman was called to Rockland, yesterday, by the death of her brother-in-law, Judge William H. Fogler, of the Maine Supreme court, who passed away at his home yesterday morning, after a two days' illness.

The selectmen have been in session, for the past week, making up their annual report, which will be handed to the people in a few days. The showing that the town has made during the past year can but be satisfactory to the citizens.

The Bowdoin Glee and Mandolin-Guitar Clubs had a most successful concert trip, visiting Portland, Saco, and Boston. Mr. Farnsworth and several classmates were guests at an exceedingly elegant luncheon given by Mrs. Chas. Folsom of Dorchester, Mass.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. J. M. Philbrook, Thursday afternoon. The topic suggested for discussion, "What is the difference between a woman of the world and a worldly woman." The reading will be continued from last week from "Mrs. Wigg's Cabbage Patch."

Second C. E. Entertainment.

The second of the series of entertainments by the Y. P. S. C. E. was given in Odeon Hall last Thursday evening, when Maj. Holman F. Day of Auburn appeared as reader and gave selections from his own pen.

We have known Maj. Day for several years, through his quaint verse which appeared in the Lewiston Journal and later in the Saturday Evening Post and other high class publications, but many of our Bethel people had never been privileged to meet him and hear him and know him; therefore the opportunity afforded last Thursday evening was considered a treat and was accepted and appreciated by a large number of people.

The evening's entertainment was pleasantly interspersed with music, Miss Alice Billings rendering a piano solo, and Mrs. Sturdivant and Miss Alice Chamberlain playing two duets.

Mr. Day gave for his readings some of his Maine dialect verse, illustrating the proverbial Yankee in the various homely, humorous, and pathetic scenes of New England life. Mr. Day has drawn so near real rural life in Maine that his selections can but appeal to a Maine audience. Many phases of Maine life were portrayed in the various selections given, and fully appreciated by some of us who could but feel that the war for his homely fabric had all but encircled our own hearthstones.

Mr. Day's selections come the nearest to drawing real life than do those of any other poet who has ever preceded him, and in the future even more than in the past, his Bethel admirers will watch with interest, the appearance of his new production.

Valentine Party.

The Ladies' Circle of Middle Intervale gave a Valentine Party at the home of Mrs. John Howe, last Friday evening, which was largely attended. Each guest, upon entering, received a dainty heart-shaped souvenir of the evening, and there were valentines of "all sorts and conditions" which caused much merriment upon being read; these, together with the smiling faces, merry games, music, and last, but by no means least, the refreshments of cake and coffee, served to make the occasion one to be remembered by all.

A Hulled Corn and Pastry Supper will be given at Mr. and Mrs. William Farwell's, Feb. 28, to which the ladies will be pleased to welcome one and all.

BASKET BALL.

Hebron 12, Gould's 3.

The headline tells the score of the game that was played in the gymnasium of Hebron Academy on last Friday evening between the girls' basket-ball teams from Hebron and Gould's, but by no means tells the comparative merits of the playing ability of the two teams.

One year ago, the game was introduced at Gould's and the girls have played at it for fun and exercise only until about two weeks ago, when it was announced that there was a prospect of a game with Hebron. This aroused a little more interest and the players worked hard in preparation for the first test of their athletic prowess, and it was a merry party that started from Bethel on the afternoon express. At South Paris, teams were waiting and they were driven rapidly over the six miles between there and Hebron.

At 7:30 p. m., the two teams ran into the gymnasium in the midst of a hearty cheer from the spectators who filled every inch of available space excepting the playing floor, and cheered impartially for every good play. Referee Fogg stepped between the two captains, "Ready, Hebron?" "Ready," "Ready, Gould's?" "Ready," "Play!" The ball was tossed into the air and the game was on. For the first five minutes it goes back and forth, dodging about this way and that as if trying to escape, and how the girls pursue it! Now it bounds in among the spectators and three girls are after it, one of them clasps it and an instant later several spectators have slightly rumbled locks but there is no time for delay. Suddenly the umpire's whistle rings out loud and clear "Foul on Hebron for carrying the ball."

No goal resulted and play is on faster than ever. Suddenly Miss Wright gets free from her guard, the ball drops into the netting, and Hebron has scored her first point. Of course everyone cheered and play was at once resumed only to stop at the call of time a minute or two later, H. A. 3, G. A. 0.

During the intermission, Trainer Fogg led his athletic team through some exercises on the horizontal bar and vaulting horse, all of which was very interesting to the spectators. When play was resumed the two teams had changed goals and it was in this half that the slippery floor told in Hebron's favor; the girls played as hard as before, but in a few minutes Miss Bradley dropped a goal, then Bessie put one in for us. Did we cheer? I think so, and Hebron helped us, too. A second foul was called on Hebron for passing the ball, but again we failed at goal; then Miss Bradley threw another and just before time was called Miss Wright threw another, making the final score 12-3.

Too much cannot be said in praise of our treatment at the hands of the Hebron students and teachers. Everything that kindness could suggest was done for our entertainment, and this speaks well for the friendly feelings between the two schools. In speaking of the game, Prof. Sargent said that he never saw two teams contest in a more pleasant manner; of course there was rivalry, but that is not hatred or enmity. Hebron was clearly better in passing, but in every other department of the game, even the most partisan was compelled to admit that Gould's was superior, and Hebron was in luck to win. The floor of the gymnasium was as smooth as a dance hall and the ball and netting were much different from ours, while the height of the basket bothered our girls not a little. For Hebron one would note Miss Bradley as the leading player, but all followed the ball well. For Gould's all the girls did well, but Miss Hastings was plainly head and shoulders above any one on the whole floor—she was playing at center, guard and forward in every play while her long accurate throws repeatedly called forth applause—on not less than three occasions did she throw for the bas-

BUSINESS POINTERS.

Business Readers will be published in this column at eight cents per line, reckoning six words to the line.

Look into Miss Burnham's cash bargain sales.

C. C. Merrill has lately bought a nice Jersey cow of John Swan. He means to furnish us with good milk.

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E. H. Young.

Do you enjoy snow shoeing? If so, you should improve your opportunity of getting a remarkable bargain in snow shoes at Hastings Bros.

There are bargains and there are bargains, but those snow shoes in Hastings' show window cast a total eclipse over bargains as usually brought before the public.

On account of bad weather the Fair at No. Newry is postponed until Thursday night, Feb. 20.

GOULD'S ACADEMY NOTES.

The mothers and friends of the girls who play basket-ball, are invited in to watch practice any afternoon directly after school.

The return game of basket-ball with Hebron will be played sometime next week.

Miss Rollins has returned to school after a week's absence.

The Annual Prize Speaking will be held in Odeon Hall, Friday evening, Feb. 28. Admission 25 and 35 cents. Tickets will be on sale at Wiley's drug store, Feb. 22.

The girls of the basket-ball teams will give a social in the Gym next Friday evening.

ket when it seemed impossible that the ball would not drop through, for it rolled all the way around the edge and then bounded away. Such splendid all around playing as Miss Hastings did could not be surpassed. Miss Stanley also played an accurate and steady game.

After the contest all enjoyed a social in the assembly room of Sturtevant Hall and then found quarters for the night in Sturtevant Home. At the urgent request of our hosts, instead of coming home in the morning as we had planned, we spent the forenoon in visiting the buildings. Then in the afternoon, saw the Hebron boys defeat the Portland Y. M. C. A., 34-48 in basket-ball, after which we were driven quickly to South Paris, and then away for home.

Those who composed the party were as follows: Misses Lucie Morse, Edith Hastings, Ruth King, Lorna Littlehale, Jennie Swan and Bessie Stanley as players, J. L. Dyer as official, Misses Mildred Tuell, Gladys Wiley, Miriam Herrick and Emma Morse, as loyal "rooters," and Miss Margaret Williams, Mrs. G. R. Wiley and Mrs. D. S. Hastings as matrons.

The score: Hebron 12, Gould's 3. Goals, Miss Bradley 2, Miss Wright 2, Miss Stanley 1. Fouls, Hebron, 2. Missed goals from fouls, Gould's 2.

Time, 10 minute halves.

Referee, C. E. Fogg of Colby.

Umpires, J. L. Dyer, Colby, and Mr. Bryant of Hebron.

Scorekeepers, Miss Emma Morse of Gould's, and Mr. Perley Thorne of Hebron.

Timekeepers, Miss Williams, Gould's, and Mr. Brown, Hebron.

HEBRON. Miss Glover, centre, Miss Lucie Morse Miss Marston, left back,

GOULD'S. Miss Jennie Swan, Miss Lorna Littlehale, Miss Quick, right back, Miss Ruth King Miss Wright, left forward,

Miss Bessie Stanley (capt.) Miss Edith Hastings

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BETHEL, MAINE.

Merrill, Springer & Co., have some 75 cords of birch cut on their land at Northwest Bethel. This birch is to be manufactured at the company's West Bethel mill, where considerable is being delivered.

It is said that no less than 3,000, 000 persons live habitually on the seas—that is, on the decks of ocean-going vessels. Last year more than one-sixth of this great number of men, or 550,000 came into the single port of New York.

Tactful Women.

Perhaps if there is one thing which oils the delicate springs of society more than another it is the exercise of tact. It is a gift, not an acquired habit, for the tactless woman cannot see that she lacks that innate courtesy which would make it impossible for her to say things "best left unsaid." Kindness of heart, some people call it, but that is by no means an accurate definition of this grace. Rather is it the power of putting yourself in another person's place and feeling instantaneously what would be the effect of such and such a remark on them, says Home Notes. Certainly tactful women are the pleasantest of companions, for their intention enables them to see when it is best to keep silence and also when a word in season may put matters straight.

Old Pewter.

The first thing to do on getting an old pewter "piece" is to have it thoroughly cleaned, and this is a really difficult task to the amateur, especially when, as frequently happens, it has been left untouched for some time, perhaps because it has been lying by unused or to give the truly "old" look which the dealer values. If the pewter is very dirty, which is generally the case, its soft surface being inclined to absorb grease and dirt, it should be boiled in strong soda water and afterward cleaned with the usual preparations. Brickdust and paraffin is a very good mixture.

Girls in Holland.

Girls in Holland have a great deal of liberty. They pay calls, shop and go to parties at the houses of friends without a chaperon, walk and travel alone, cycle and have tennis and wheeling clubs in company with young men. They enjoy their fun and freedom and are in no hurry to find husbands. Marriages are not arranged, and the parents' consent is only asked after a proposal is made and accepted.

A Pretty Bedroom Screen.

If your bedroom is so planned that the bed must face the window, an excellent plan is to have two small uprights fastened to the footrail of the bed, with a brass rod connecting them at the top. Have a curtain of dark silk or any other material gathered on this rod, and if this is drawn at night your eyes will be protected from the light.

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DIRECTORY.

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TOWN OFFICERS.

Selectmen—S. B. Twitchell, C. E. Barker, West, F. J. Russell, Clerk, L. T. Barker, Treasurer, W. H. Hastings, Supt. of Schools, H. H. Hastings, School Committee, Z. W. Bartlett, East, N. F. Brown, Miss Susie Twitchell, Town Agent A. E. Herrick, Collector, H. H. Bean, Auditor, Calvin Bisbee.

MAIL SERVICE.

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Going East, 8:40 a. m., 3:15 p. m.
Closed mail for Portland and Boston, 8 p. m.
Mails Arrive.
From East, 10:50 a. m.; 4:50 p. m.
From West, 9:15 a. m., 3:45 p. m.

CHURCHES.

Methodist Episcopal, Main street, Rev. O. S. Pillsbury, Pastor. Sunday—Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Junior League meeting, 3 p. m.; Prayer meeting, Sunday, 7:00 p. m.; Class meeting, Tuesday, 7:30 p. m.; Epworth League and Church Prayer meeting, Friday, 7:30 p. m.

Universalist, Church street, Rev. F. E. Barton, Pastor, Sunday—Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. C. U., 7 p. m.

Congregational, Church street, Rev. Arthur Varley, Pastor. Sunday—Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. C. U., 7 p. m. Junior S. C. E., 4 p. m. Tuesday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.

Union Church, West Bethel, supplied by Rev. Arthur Varley and Rev. F. E. Barton. Sunday—Preaching, 2:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 3:30 p. m.

LIBRARY.

Public Library, Broad street. Open Wednesday, from 6 to 8 p. m.; Saturday, 4 to 8 p. m. Over 3000 volumes. Mrs. G. B. Wiley, President; Annie Frye, Secretary; Mrs. O. M. Mason, Treasurer; Mrs. L. T. Barker, Librarian.

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Bethel Lodge, No. 97, F. & A. M.—Wilfred Bowler, W. M.; E. H. Young, S. W.; H. M. Farwell, J. W.; H. C. Rowe, Treasurer; D. G. Lovejoy, Secretary. Meets second Thursday of each month.

Mt. Abram Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 31—Rufus Skillings, N. G.; F. J. Tyler, V. G.; Charles Mason, Rec. Sec.; A. C. Frost, Fin. Sec.; S. I. French, Treas. Meetings Saturday evenings.

Sunset Rebekah Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 64—Alice J. Farwell, N. G.; Lydia E. Parker, V. G.; Anna B. French, Rec. Sec.; Marcia Hastings, Fin. Sec.; Ellen M. Burbank, Treas. Meets first and third Monday of each month.

Bethel Grange, No. 56—F. E. Bean, W. M.; Bertha Valentine, L.; Gipsy Barker, Sec. Meets every other Saturday at two o'clock.

Sudbury Col., No. 50, U. O. P. F.—J. C. Billings, Gov.; E. C. Park, Sec.; E. S. Kilborn, Treas. Meets the first and third Monday of each month.

Brown Post, No. 84, G. A. R.—A. H. Hutchinson, P. C. Meets the first and third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p. m.

Brown Post, W. R. C., No. 36—Miss E. Burnham, Pres.; Mrs. C. S. Little, Sec.; Miss Annie Chapman, Treas. Meets the first and third Thursday of each month.

United Order of Golden Cross No. 404—N. C. E. Burnham, W. T.; Calvin Bisbee, F. K. of R. S. W. Grover; K. of R. F. W. Bisbee.

CORPORATIONS.

Bethel Savings Bank—S. B. Twitchell, Pres.; A. E. Herrick, Treas.

Bethel Manufacturing Co.—J. H. Barrows, Pres.; W. H. Winslow, Treas. and General Manager.

Bethel Water Co.—Enoch Foster, Pres.; A. E. Herrick, Treas.

Bethel Dairying Co.—W. E. Abbott, Manager.

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Bethel Light Co.—E. C. Bowler, Pres.; W. W. Hastings, Treas.

SOCIAL SOCIETIES.

Ladies' Club, Congregational—Pres. Mrs. F. S. Chandler; Vice Pres., Hattie Foster; Sec., Hattie Richardson; Treas., Mrs. F. B. Tuell. Meets Thursday afternoon.

Ladies' Circle, Universalist—Mrs. O. M. Mason, Pres.; Mrs. G. B. Wiley, Vice Pres.; Mrs. L. B. Hopkins, Sec.; Mrs. E. C. Rowe, Treas. Meets Wednesday afternoon.

Ladies' Church Aid Society, Methodist—Mrs. Alice Jordan, Pres.; Mrs. C. Bisbee, Vice Pres.; Miss Ethel Morse, Sec.; Mrs. W. D. Hastings, Treas.

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CHAPTER XVII.

TRANSACTIONS OF A NIGHT.

"I dare not! Oh, I dare not!"
"But it is your only hope."
"And whither shall we go?"
"Anywhere rather than remain here. Oh, my mistress, if you do stay here you know the fate which awaits you. There is no other means of escape from the wicked duke's power."

"And I must thus cast myself among strangers, lose my all of earth?"

"Hold, Rosalind! By St. Paul, there is surely one in Moscow who will help you! Let us go to the emperor. Oh, if he be the man I have heard, he will surely listen!"

"Ah, Zenobie, the duke is high in power, and his influence is great at court. Peter would not dare to thwart him."

"It may be so, but I do not believe it. And yet, my mistress, just think for one moment how you stand in that respect. You have nothing to lose. This life of earth, with all its pains and sorrows and with its most exquisite tortures, holds nothing worse for you within the bounds of possibility than to become the duke's wife. If there were but one chance in the thousand, you had better try it. Remember, you cannot possibly lose anything, but the chances are for you. Let us go to the emperor."

"But how, Zenobie?"

"This evening, after the darkness of night has gathered over the city, let us go. I tell you I do not believe the emperor will deliberately suffer a great wrong to be done for the sake of pacifying the duke. He has more noble independence than that."

The young countess did not answer at once. She pressed her small white hand hard upon her brow, and thus she remained for some time buried in profound thought. At length she raised her head, and the fire of determination was in her eye.

"I will go," she said. "I will go to the emperor. He will help me if he has a human heart."

"You have one satisfaction, my mistress—he cannot harm you."

"Cannot?"

"I mean that you can but be made to marry with Olga, and all other harm would be as nothing compared with that."

"Aye, you are right, Zenobie. We will go this very night."

The more Rosalind pondered upon this new resolve the more hope did she derive from it. Ere long she conversed more freely with her attendant, and at times that old smile would struggle for a moment upon her face. Yet she had gloomy moments too. Her fear was too deeply fixed to be swept away so easily.

The afternoon passed away, and as the shades of night gathered over the great city the two girls were astir. Zenobie gathered together such articles of clothing as would be needed and then proceeded to prepare her mistress for the adventure.

"Fear not," she said as she drew on Rosalind's robe of fur, "for there can be no danger worse than that we flee from. Try only to remember that you flee from the duke's foul embrace."

This served to nerve the fair young countess up to the task, and her frame ceased its trembling.

"I shall not falter now," she said. "But shall we find the emperor at this late hour?"

"Bless me, 'tis not late! But even if we do not see him tonight we can do it in the morning. We shall find plenty in the imperial palace who will shelter us till then."

The girls were now ready, and all that remained was to start on their strange mission. With noiseless steps they left the apartment where they had dressed and proceeded along the corridor to the great staircase. Zenobie knew there would be less danger there than to go down the other way among the servants. Having descended these stairs, they came to the great hall which opened one way into the saloons. They took the former course and were soon in the court. The only trouble now was in passing the porter's lodge at the gate, for they knew the great gate was not open, and to gain the street they must pass through the room where the porter always staid. Zenobie went ahead and looked in. The porter sat by the fire playing with his dog.

"My mistress," whispered the girl as she came back, "old John is in the lodge, and we need have no fear. He is a simple, good natured fellow, and I am sure I can get by him. Do you

go in advance; cover up your face; don't look at him, and be sure you don't tremble. Leave it all to me. Remember, now, you have."

"Fear not, Zenobie. Go on."

So on they went, and when they reached the lodge Rosalind went in first and stood by the wicket, while Zenobie followed and opened the door that looked into the porter's room.

"Good John," she uttered in anxious tones, "come and open the wicket for me, quick. My good mistress is very ill, and Tilda and I are going for the doctor. Come, be quick."

"But why don't some of the men go?" asked John as he started up and forced his dog back.

"Because 'twould take them longer to do the errand than 'twill us. But don't detain us. We shan't be long."

The honest porter had orders not to allow the countess to pass out, but he thought not of that now. He had known the gentle girl from a child, and so well did he love her that he might not have stopped her even had he known she was then waiting to pass out. At all events, he could not refuse the present request, so he came out and opened the wicket without further question, and the girls passed through.

"Now, now," uttered Zenobie in nervous haste, "we are clear of the palace. Here is the street. Our walk is not long."

Rosalind answered not; but, drawing her robe more closely about her to keep out the cold, biting wind, she hastened along by the side of her companion. Hope was now alive within her. She turned one glance behind her, and she could see the light which she had left burning in her chamber. It seemed at that moment to be the fiery eye of a demon gazing after her, and instinctively she quickened her pace.

Twice during the day did the Duke of Tula call at the imperial palace without being able to find the emperor, but in the evening he was more fortunate. The emperor was in, and Olga was admitted at once to his presence.

"Well, my lord duke," said Peter as Olga approached, "what business calls you from home at this hour?"

"Business of importance, sire—business of less moment to me than to the state."

"Ah! Proceed."

Only two attendants were with the emperor, one of whom was Demetrius the Greek, and the place of audience was in one of the private apartments near the bedchamber, where only privileged ones were ever allowed to come.

"Sire," commenced the duke, "you remember the gunmaker who was before you not long since?"

"Ah, yes—the one who took my Greek's sword from him?"

"By my soul, Olga, I had well nigh forgotten the fellow. Yes, yes; I remember him well now. He was a right stout knave."

"Aye, and a dangerous one, too, sire—a dangerous man," said the duke, with a dubious shake of his head.

"Ah! What has he done?"

"Why, he has been engaged in various robberies to my certain knowledge, and only a few evenings since he knocked down one of our holy priests and robbed him of all he had. He is at the head of a numerous band of desperadoes."

"Is it possible?"

"I know it, sire."

"By St. Paul, I should not have believed this!"

"Nor would I have believed it, sire, had I not received proofs not to be questioned. I, as is my duty, have long been anxious to ferret out this gang of robbers."

"But I never heard of them, Olga," interrupted Peter.

"Ah, sire, because I gave direction that you should not be troubled with the affair. But I have them now. It is only last evening that I got a clue upon them. We found them in an old building near the river here in the Kremlin, and this same Rurik Nevel was with them. But he made his escape."

"I do remember me now that the fellow had a bold bearing, and a fearless look," said the emperor half to himself, "and if such a man turns villain there must be danger in it."

"Aye, sire, you speak truly, and now, with your order, I can apprehend the fellow at once."

"I can send and have it done, my dear duke."

"But your officers may not find him. I know where he is and can have him taken at once. He has several hiding places."

"Well, then you might do the work with more advantage."

"Aye, and I can have him tried and disposed of without further trouble to you, sire."

"No, no. I wish to see him," returned the emperor. "I will give you the necessary order, and you may bring him here."

Peter then turned to his secretary and bade him fill an order for Rurik Nevel's arrest. The stout master at arms looked on with a troubled countenance, and his glances toward the duke were anything but loving. He did not seem to relish the business at all, and the expression of his countenance would seem to indicate that he did not believe all that the duke had said.

However, the order was soon made out and in the duke's possession.

"Remember," said Peter, "you will bring him before me."

"You shall be obeyed, sire."

If the emperor did not notice the strange, dark look of the duke as he turned away, the Greek did, and he fancied, too, that he knew what it meant. But he said nothing then.

Olga bowed low as he clutched the order, and, having once more promised obedience, he hurried from the imperial presence. As he passed out through the wide court he walked slowly and thoughtfully and with his head bowed. But soon he started up, his hands came together with an emphatic movement, and he moved on more quickly. He had gained the street and approached a small court within which stood a house of entertainment, where he stopped. In a few moments more a man came out from the inn, and as soon as he had satisfied himself that the newcomer was the duke he spoke.

"Olga, is it you?"

"Yes."

It needed but a single glance in the dim starlight to recognize the form of the humpbacked priest. He walked quickly to where the duke stood, and the two moved off together.

"Now what luck?" Savotano asked as he gained the street once more.

"Good—as good as I could ever hope," returned the duke. "I have the power for arresting the gunmaker."

"And for executing him?"

"It amounts to the same. I am ordered to bring him before the emperor, but that is easily managed."

Here the duke stopped and gazed about him, and then, bending his head so that no word could possibly pass beyond his companion's ears, he continued:

"You can call upon three of your best men, and I can furnish two from among my own servants. Early in the morning, by the time the sun is up, they must be at the gunmaker's dwelling. They must make him angry—of course he will resist—and then kill him. It is very simple—very. They can easily dispatch him thus, and then we have only to tell the emperor that he resisted the imperial authority even unto death. So, you see, this is even better than it would have been had I received direct authority for his death, for then some form of trial would have been necessary, but now we have only to go to his house, provoke him to quarrel, kill him and then tell the emperor how it happened. What think you?"

"Why," returned the priest, with a wicked chuckle, "I can only say that Master Nevel is done for—he is a dead man."

"Exactly. Nothing could be better—nothing."

After the explanation of this fiendish, hellish scheme the two walked on some distance in silence.

"Stop!" uttered the duke, catching his companion by the arm, "there come two persons this way. We must not meet them." Here—into this passage—quick!"

It was a narrow, dark passage leading to the next street, into which the duke dragged his companion, and here he meant to remain until the two persons had passed. The fact was the duke did not wish to be seen with the priest at that hour in the street, and it is no matter of surprise that he should at that moment have been influenced by guilty fear. The two pedestrians came on and passed the spot where the men stood. They were females, and one of them the priest saw in the face. The features were upturned to the starlight, and he recognized them. He caught the duke quickly and nervously by the arm.

"By the host of heaven," he whispered, "twas the countess!"

"Rosalind?" gasped Olga.

"Yes, as sure as death!"

"Then come, quick!"

Savotano understood the meaning of this, and he followed the duke quickly, out. At a few bounds Olga reached the females, and one of them he caught by the arm. She uttered a sharp, quick cry, and as

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she turned her face up she revealed the fair features of the Countess Rosalind Valdal. The priest had no need to stop the other girl, for she stopped of her own accord as soon as she found that her mistress was captured.

"Aha!" Olga uttered when he saw that pale face. "What now, eh? Where are you bound at this unseasonly hour?"

"O God!" It was all the poor girl could utter. She saw the dark face of her hated and feared guardian, and the last glimmer of hope faded from her soul.

"By my soul," the duke resumed, fastening his grip surely upon the maiden's arm, "it is fortunate I have found you, for you might have fallen into difficulty else. You were bound for the imperial palace, eh?"

At first Rosalind thought of struggling for escape, but she felt the strong grip upon her arm, and she knew that such a movement could result only in her own harm.

"Say," repeated the duke, "were you not bound for the palace?"

"Aye, proud duke, I was," the countess replied, gazing up into the man's face. "I was trying to escape from your accursed power!"

"Aha! But come, we'll turn toward home. You'll be better off there. And this is our little Zenobie, is it?"

The attendant looked up, but she made no reply. Then Olga turned to the priest.

"Savotano, hurry off your men in the morning, and then come to me. I'll have work for you tomorrow. By St. Paul, the work delays no longer!"

And then, with a sinking, breaking heart, Rosalind Valdal was led back toward the ducal palace.

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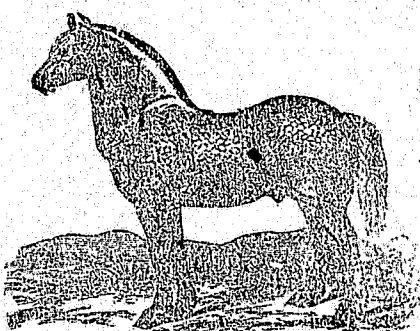
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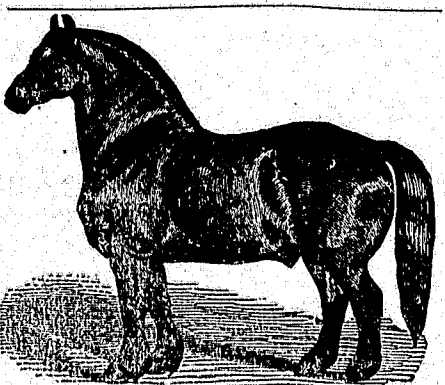
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MOTHER WESTON.

come of the first two, because it was given in honor of Miss Weston's work among the boys who sail the sea.

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Don't marry a man unless he has a head as well as a heart. Household expenses are not met with anything except a bank account.

Don't marry a man for a home. You deserve to be unhappy if you do, and you usually will be. There are many more honorable ways by which a self-respecting woman can accomplish this end.

Don't marry for looks. A good looking man is no more able to provide for the necessities of life for his family than any other man and frequently less able because of his vanity.

Don't say "yes" to your first proposal unless you are sure of yourself. Never to receive another proposal is not the worst fate that can befall a girl. There are many old maids who are happier than some wives.

Don't marry for spite or out of pique or because he says he can't live without you. But do not remain unmarried if the man you love is good, brave and industrious, even though he be poor as the proverbial church mouse, should he ask you to be his wife. The right sort of wife can exert wonderful influence for good or failure over her husband. By a gracious general manner she can win hosts of friends for him and help him along in nearly every walk of life on the road to success and prosperity. The right sort of wife stands by her husband when business and other troubles depress and weary him. She infuses hope into him and points the way to a new start, however small. She works with and for him, helps him plan and save and provide for the future and is indeed a helpmate, chum and wife all in one, and when so married her life is ideally happy.—Mrs. George Nelson in American Queen.

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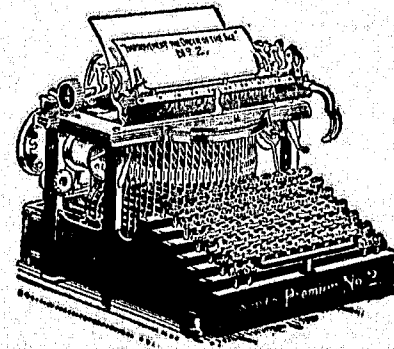
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Twenty-five thousand Americans can engage in profitable business along the Nicaragua canal right of way. When work begins they must go right away.

Ex-Secretary Gage has declined an offer of \$100,000 a year to take the presidency of the International Banking Company of New York City. That's just double the salary of the President of the United States, and the job is far easier and less annoying.

During the year 1901 the various car building works in the United States have built, altogether, 144,267 cars of all kinds, the largest output for any one year, says the Railroad Gazette. These figures, of course, do not include cars built by railroads at their own shops.

This is the way in which a Kansas editor poetically lays a bouquet at the feet of his best girl: "There is gladness in her gladness when she's glad—there is sadness in her sadness when she's sad—but the gladness of her gladness nor the sadness of her sadness is nothing to her madness when she's mad."

STATE NEWS.

John E. Woodcock, an insane man, aged 51 years, escaped from his keeper at Seabrook Monday, and committed suicide by drowning. He was a Past Master of the local Masonic lodge.

On Thursday, Prof. Thomas Angell, who has been connected with Bates College, Lewiston, for 33 years, bade farewell to the students and retired from his duties at the college. He will be greatly missed by all students and friends of the college, and carries with him wherever he may go the love and admiration of hundreds who have been under his instruction.

A number of new cases of small pox have developed in the State within the past few days, and in several places. A tramp is very sick with it at Freeport. Two new cases were discovered in Portland One was a long-horeman, the other was a Shiloh missionary from Durham. A co-worker of the missionary, who had been in Portland, returned to Shiloh before the nature of the disease was discovered. The authorities were immediately notified, and the Shiloh colony was quarantined. There are a number of cases there, among the 200 or 300 inmates.

Stops the Cough and Works off the Cold.

Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No Cure, no Pay. Price 25 cents. 1y Aug 22.

WISCONSIN CURE FOR CONSUMPTION

ALL OVER-



Portland's small pox scare is becoming a startling reality.

The Oxford Paper Company of Rumford Falls has increased its capital stock from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000.

A year ago, Sidney had six post-offices and now it has not one, rural free deliveries having taken their places.

David Reardon died at the hospital in Bangor, Monday, as the result of injuries received while working in a gravel pit at Brewer.

The little three-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Thorndike of Augusta, who was badly burned Sunday, died Tuesday morning.

The United States Senate has passed a bill appropriating \$10,000 for a monument to the memory of Dorothea Lynde Dix, to be erected at Hampden, Maine.

Arthur Hovey of Cary Plantation lost his life, Feb. 9, in a burning house in the woods five miles above Smyrna Mills, occupied by a Mr. Russell and family.

One of the largest transfers of property ever made in Piscataquis county was the sale of the Katahdin Iron Works railroad to the Bangor & Aroostook, the consideration being \$220,000.

Hon. B. F. Chadbourne of Maine was chosen president of the National Association of Railroad Commissioners, which met in Charleston, S. C. The association will hold its next meeting in some city in Maine, next July.

Chopping in the lumber woods has practically ceased and 200 men have already gone home from the camps. This has been a very favorable season, but more snow is needed now for hauling. The total cut on the Kennebec waters will amount to nearly 150,000,000 feet.

The largest churn in the State is being placed in the Oxford county creamery at South Paris. Under the direction of Charles B. Berry, treasurer of the Portland Creamery Co. \$4000 will be paid out in repairs and improvements on the block recently purchased by this company. It is understood that the company intend to handle all the milk and cream they can secure.

A box car containing 600 bushels of Aroostook potatoes left the track on the Maine Central bridge at Lewiston recently and the expensive tubers were scattered in all directions. In a very short time they were all picked up by people who swarmed with bags, pans, baskets and all kinds of receptacles that would hold potatoes.

The Department of Maine, G. A. R., met at Augusta last week for its annual encampment. The report of the assistant adjutant general shows that there are 159 posts in the State with a total membership of 6,912, a gain of 148 over last year. James L. Merrick of Waterville was chosen department commander. Gen. Eli Torrance of Minneapolis, Minn., the commander of the National Department, was present Friday. George D. Bisbee of Rumford Falls was chosen delegate to the National Encampment.

Sheriff Pearson has finished his report and it is now in print. The total amount in fines received for the year ending December 31, the first year in fact of his reign, was \$30,941.83. This came as follows: Portland Municipal Court, \$3,896.13; South Portland Municipal Court, \$445.69; sales of empties and liquor returned to be rectified, \$1,170.70. It will be seen that the Municipal Courts of Brunswick and Westbrook do not figure in this matter at all, nor have any trial justices through the county done anything toward suppressing the liquor traffic.

My Hair

"I had a very severe sickness that took off all my hair. I purchased a bottle of Ayer's Hair Vigor and it brought all my hair back again."
W. D. Quinn, Marcellus, Ill.

One thing is certain, Ayer's Hair Vigor makes the hair grow. This is because it is a hair food. It feeds the hair and the hair grows, that's all there is to it. It stops falling of the hair, too, and always restores color to gray hair.

\$1.00 a bottle. All druggists.
If your druggist cannot supply you, send us one dollar and we will express you a bottle. Be sure and give the name of your nearest express office. Address: J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

EGGS IN WINTER.

Make the Hens Lay When Prices Are High and the Thermometer Low.

When the demand for eggs is large and the supply small; when they bring half a dollar a dozen, and are quickly bought at that price—that's the time the unsophisticated poultry keeper looks at his unproductive hens with accusing eyes. Other people's hens lay; why not his? Then the knowing poultry man smiles.

The successful egg raiser knows that in cold weather, existing conditions must be overcome, and the hen helped; that all the food given her must be made more productive of egg material, and the nitrogen and phosphates needed to produce eggs must be supplied. And he knows not only the need of the hen, but how to supply it. He has long since made the acquaintance of Sheridan's Condition Powder.

For over thirty years enterprising, progressive poultry men—those who study the hen question in all its phases—have been using Sheridan's Condition Powder. Experts say that a hen produces about 600 eggs. To get these eggs as early as possible in the life of the hen, and then kill her, thereby saving the cost and care of her during unproductive periods, is the secret of profit in the poultry business. The greater the number of these eggs produced in winter, when prices are highest, the greater the gain. Nothing will accomplish these ends like Sheridan's Condition Powder. Many of the largest poultry yards in the country depend upon it to enable them to meet the large and regular demand on their resources, particularly during the winter season. It is accepted as the standard egg producer.

To make pullets early layers, so that even August pullets become productive during the winter season of high prices; to revive drooping hens, and those suffering from distemper; to carry them through the moulting period; to make them healthy, regular layers, Sheridan's Condition Powder is unequalled—unapproached.

It is not a food, but makes all the food of the hen more nourishing. It aids digestion and stimulates the ovaries. It quickly makes glossy plumage, and bright red combs. It is a most remarkable tonic.

So much for the efficacy of Sheridan's Condition Powder. When its cost is considered, with reference to its effects, the showing is indeed remarkable—one cent in ten days, per hen. When eggs are selling at from forty to fifty cents a dozen, and your supply increasing every day, you conclude that about the best paying investment you have ever found is Sheridan's Condition Powder.

To any one interested, I. S. Johnson & Co., Boston, Mass., the only makers of Sheridan's Condition Powder, will send for 50 cents, two 25 cent packages, five packages for \$1.00; or for \$1.20 one large two pound can of Powder, postpaid; six cans for \$5.00, express prepaid. Sample copy of the best poultry magazine free. Our new book, "Winter Eggs and How to Get Them," 25 cents; or sent free with orders amounting to \$1.00 or more.

"And who is that?" asked Aunt Clara, pointing to the picture of a chubby child in skirts. "That," said Robby, who has been wearing trousers for some time, "is me when I was a girl."

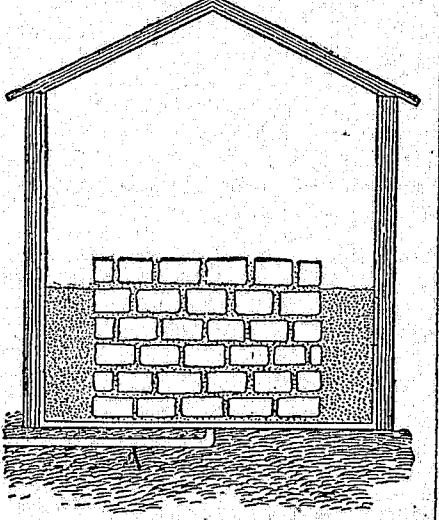
FILLING THE ICEHOUSE.

Proper Method of Storing to Secure the Best Results.

Mr. J. H. Brown, in Rural New Yorker explains the method he uses to store ice. The illustration shows a cross section of his icehouse, with boards nailed horizontally on the inside of the poles.

From 12 to 15 inches should be left between the ice cakes and the walls. Locate the icehouse where good natural drainage may be secured. The may be laid, as indicated at A, to secure more adequate drainage if needed. Out the cakes so as to break joints, say 18 by 36 inches or 15 by 30, as conditions may require. It will be impossible to make the cakes fit together perfectly, no matter how expert the saw manipulator may be. On this account we put in one layer, fit closely as possible, then shave over the upper surface of all the cakes with a carpenter's adze. The shavings of ice are swept into the crevices between cakes. When freezing cold, a little water is sprinkled over the whole surface to cement the layer solidly together.

As each layer is completed the sawdust should be filled in around the sides level with the top and solidly



PROPERLY PACKED ICE.

tamped down. Allow no sawdust to remain on top of the various layers until the icehouse is filled. Fig. 20 shows the sixth layer in and ready for the sawdust. Ice is preserved by being packed away from the air. As hot weather comes on the ice will settle some. Be sure to keep the sawdust tamped down around the sides frequently during early summer and see that no airholes form.

When the ice is all packed in, cover with ten to fifteen inches of sawdust. Leave the gables open more or less to allow free circulation of air over the ice. I hope that this description, with sketches, of our own successful harvesting and storing of ice in a cheap pole frame icehouse will encourage many farmers to decide to have some ice next season, and may they thoroughly enjoy for the first time the cooling benefits which accrue to the fortunate possessors of the congealed fluid.

Milking Cows Continuously.

A friend asks my experience in milking cows continuously. I have some cows that insist on not going dry. I like to have them dry about a month before freshening, both for the vigor of the calf and for the recuperation of the cow, says W. F. McSparran in National Stockman. But I am not sure the cow or calf either needs this if the cow is properly fed, and that is a very difficult thing to come at, so I prefer the period of rest if I can persuade the cow to take it. Whether she milks better during the lactation after freshening because she rested or not I can't say. Some well informed cow men say it makes no difference in her period of yield except in the flush after calving, with a rest before. It is hard to estimate. I have never known cows to do each year alike, so it is impossible to tell what the cow might have done.

Water For Dairy Cattle.

Water must certainly be regarded as a food, for it makes up over two-thirds of the body weight and must be constantly ingested to keep up the normal body, writes Dr. George T. Palmer in Hoard's Dairyman. The water for the cow must never come from ponds or pools and should not be taken even from running streams if there is any chance that the stream may have been contaminated by sewage. In a thickly populated country, like our middle and western states, the chances in favor of contamination of country streams are very strong. The water given cows in a high grade dairy farm should be from good wells and springs and should be supplied in troughs capable of easy cleansing. The lining of the trough should be of such material as to permit thorough scouring.

Handling Dairy Cows.

If farmers knew how to handle cows as well as they think they do, there would be few unprofitable dairies in the country, says Farm and Ranch. There is more hope of a man who knows nothing about milk cows and knows he doesn't than of one who doesn't know and thinks he does. One will learn how; the other will not.

Best Winter Food.

Probably the best winter food now known is ensilage, corn cut when the grain is developed, just as it is well glazed, says Dr. G. T. Palmer in Hoard's Dairyman. It possesses the advantage of retaining a certain amount of freshness and moisture throughout the entire winter.

Choosing a Dairy Cow.

Never choose a dairy cow because she is fat, sleek and a beauty. In a dairy cow "beauty is as beauty does." The fat and sleek dairy cow doesn't do the handsome thing. The scraggy, bony cow does. Therefore she is the real dairy beauty.

Acetylene Lighting!

TESTIMONIALS FROM PEOPLE YOU KNOW.

Bethel, Me., February 17, 1902.

Mr. M. W. CARRIER,
Agent for the Victoria Mfg. Co.,
Auburn, Maine,

DEAR SIR:

Your request for my opinion regarding the Acetylene Light recently installed in the Bethel Post Office, I would say that in my estimation the light far surpasses everything I have ever seen. My work requires a good light, and when Mr. E. H. Young put a Victoria Gas Machine in his store, I persuaded him to pipe and connect the Post Office, selling me the gas at one and one-half cents per foot. I recommend this light as being an ideal light. Someone has aptly termed it "artificial sun light." It is a cheap and inexpensive luxury.

J. C. BILLINGS, Postmaster, Bethel, Me.

M. W. Carrier, Agent,
BETHEL HOUSE, BETHEL, MAINE.

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In the Valley of Kentucky,
Jennie Lee,
A Picture without a Frame,
This Not Always Bullets that Kill,
When My Little Dolly Died,
Way Down in Old Indiana,
My Home Now of the Past,
A Little Boy in Blue,
A Thousand Leagues Under the Sea,
What'd Yo' do wid de Letter Mr. Johnson,
Nobody Ever Brings Presents to Me,
I'm Tired,
I'll be There Mary Dear,
She's Sleeping by the James,
Just a Little World of Two,
On a Sunday Afternoon,
The Tie That Binds,
The Brotherhood of Man,
Oh What a Lovely Dream,
Who's Your Friend,
Come Kiss Yo' Mammy Good Night,
Weezy, The Song of the Minstrel Man,
Ida Dunn, (I'd a done most any one for Ida Dunn),
I Just Can't Help from Lovin' that Man,
In the Heart of the Mighty Deep,
No More of Dat Man for Me,
Why Did we Drift Apart,
When the Blue Sky turns to Gold,
When the Birds go North Again,
Josephine My Jo,
I Got Mine,
On Broadway,
My Bamboo Queen,
A Rose with a Broken Stem,
Ma Southern Belle,
The Wedding of Reuben and the Maid,
Mr. Volunteer, (You don't belong to the Regulars.)

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A Signal from Mars, March and Two-Step,
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Creole Belles, March and Two-Step,
Leading Lady Waltzes,
Our Director, March,
Blaze Away, March and Two-Step,
The Grasshopper's Hop,
The Donkey Laugh,
Shame and Shakespeare, March and Two-Step,
With Fire and Sword, March and Two-Step,
Carmelita, Mexican Dance,
Prisoner of War March,
Roma Dance, Characteristic,
The Strollers, March and Two-Step,
Loop the Loop, Two-Step,
Bugville Brigade, Characteristic Piece,
Maid of the Mist, Schottische,
Isis, Intermezzo,
In a Cozy Corner, Novelette,
Soldiers of Fortune, March,
Bowery Buck, Ragtime Two-Step,

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F. E. Bigelow
Abe Holzmann
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WEST BETHEL.

G. B. Mills was in this place, Saturday, selling fresh fish.

We are glad to see Frank Shultz out again after his recent illness.

Wesley Poole of Shelburne, N. H., was in this village, one day last week, selling pants.

Miss Emma A. Briggs spent Wednesday of last week, visiting friends on Bethel Hill.

The store of L. Ordway is closed for a season, but will be reopened in the spring.

W. H. Farnham of Locke Mills, was in this part of Bethel, one day last week, selling spectacles.

Hiram H. Bean, tax-collector of Bethel, was in this village and vicinity, last Wednesday.

Four or five teams are hauling hard wood lumber from North Albany to this station, for the Paris Manufacturing Co.

E. R. Briggs is local agent for the News, to whom payments for the paper may at any time be made, and news items handed.

Grange Hall has been opened as a place of public amusement, and a box supper and sociable was held there, on the evening of the 13th.

LOCKE MILLS.

W. H. Farnham and wife went to Rumford Friday, coming home Saturday evening after attending the Grange at Rumford Center.

Edith Emery went to Bethel Sunday, to work for Mrs. Wiley.

Mr. Wm. Pearson, an aged gentleman, is quite ill.

Ed Goodwin was home from Bryant Pond Sunday.

Bert Cummings and Lincoln Downs were home from Byron over Sunday.

Eben Rand of Curtis Corner is visiting his son and daughter here.

Mrs. Lizzie Demond is home for a short visit.

Harry Swift is home on a short vacation from school at Monmouth.

ALBANY.

The selectmen were in session at the town house, last week, preparing the town reports.

L. J. Andrews is at work for Chas. Beckler.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Wheeler and Herbert Wheeler visited at E. T. Judkins, the 9th.

Carter Grover swapped cows with A. G. Bean, one day last week.

E. T. Judkins is at work, this week, for J. K. Wheeler and son, cutting fir for pulp.

Miss Ada O. Bean visited at E. E. Bean's, recently.

L. J. Andrews and family went to North Waterford, one day last week.

Lauren L. Lord is at work in a saw mill at Roxbury.

A. G. Bean went to Norway, Monday, on business.

Miss Estella Bean visited at J. K. Wheeler's, recently.

Miss Gertie Sloan was on the sick list two or three days, last week.

Miss Fern Johnson visited her aunt, Mrs. E. T. Judkins, last week.

Miss Mattie Moore visited her friend, Miss Gertie Sloan, the 13th.

Mrs. Dora Beckler and mother, Mrs. Charlotte Cummings visited Mrs. Julian Beckler, one day last week.

Arthur Andrews is canvassing for wall paper. Those in need of such will do well to see his samples before buying elsewhere, as he has paper to suit every one's taste at prices which will suit every one's pocket-book.

We have some young ladies in town who are not of the tender, timid sort; when they wish to visit a friend a mile or more distant, they do not have to be placed in a sleigh and carefully covered with blankets and robes, and have a driver besides, but can just buckle on their snow shoes, and strike across the woods, make their visit and return home again the same afternoon.

This Will Interest Mothers.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, Cure Feverishness, H. of Stomach, Teething Disorders, Break up Colds, cures and regulates the Bowels and Destroys Worms. THEY NEVER FAIL. Over 600 testimonials. At all drug stores, etc. Sample mailed FREE. Address: Allen S. Olmsted, Detroit, N. Y.

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SOUTH PARIS NEWS.

Local and Personal Items From Our Shire Town.

Mr. Charles Davis is visiting in Boston.

Roy Strickland was home from Orono a few days last week.

Miss Gertie Abbott has gone to Massachusetts.

Miss Della McArdle of Portland is in town this week.

Miss Leona Stuart entertained a party of young friends at her home on St. Valentine's afternoon, the occasion being her thirteenth birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brett are visiting in Beverly.

Mr. H. R. Eaton was in town Saturday.

The Paris Mfg. Co. has bought the building at West Paris formerly used by the Maine State Wheel Rim Co., which they will use in connection with the plant here.

This season's lecture course closed Wednesday night with a musical and literary entertainment.

Rev. W. Hooper preached in the New Hall Sunday afternoon at 2:30. His subject was "What are we here for?"

Mr. J. B. Tucker's horse became frightened Sunday and ran away throwing Miss Ruth Tucker out and she was somewhat hurt.

A lyceum was held Friday evening by the members of the Lyceum Association. The following program was carried out:

Secretary's Report.

Violin Solo, Lisbeth Murphy, accompanied by Ruby Clark.

Reading, Ada Thayer.

Debate—Question, "Resolved that the tariff should be taken off the sugar imported from Cuba to the United States."

Aff. Ethel Howe, Roy Curtis.

Neg. Ethel Thomas, Waldo Hubbard.

Recess.

Vocal Solo, Ralph Penfold.

Reading, Milton McAlister.

Vocal Solo, Ruby Clark.

HANOVER.

Herbert Russell is turning doves for G. L. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Howe and daughter Jessie are visiting Mrs. Howe's father in Sumner.

Mrs. Elna Bean has returned from Andover, where she has been spending the past two weeks.

Everett Mitchell is confined to the house with a bad cold.

Blanche Russell spent a part of the week with friends in Bethel.

Miss A. G. L. Rowe is very sick.

One of our small boys made a bold attack on grain robbers, recently. If burglars value their lives they will do well to shun one house in this vicinity. His parents had left him to keep house for a few hours, and during their absence he went to the stable. As he entered the shed, he heard considerable noise coming from the direction of the granary, and crept to the door to listen. Yes, some one was certainly inside. He tipped back to the house, got his rifle, loaded it and went back, holding the deadly weapon in readiness for instant use. Cautiously he opened the door, and saw, not a desperado, but three mice scampering into their holes.

Saturday, the Little Girl's Club met with Mrs. Elna Bean, to be instructed in the art of button-hole making. Miss Helen Staples founded this club, a year ago, teaching them darning as a useful accomplishment. Mrs. Wm. Russell has taught them hem-stitching, and they are also learning plain sewing.

The birch mill in the village has started up.

Ada Richardson, Charles Hayford and Leroy Bragg were at home from Gould's, over Sunday.

Fred Hutchins from Chesterville, was in town, Wednesday, selling sleighs.

Fred Silver is hauling hay to Rumford Falls.

The Misses Swain, Edith Powers and Lilla Smith spent Friday with Miss Helen Staples.

Mr. Randall Cummings passed through here, Thursday, canvassing for the Ladies' Home Journal.

CANTORIA.

The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of

Eruptions.

Dry, moist, scaly tetter, all forms of eczema or salt rheum, pimples and other cutaneous eruptions proceed from humors, either inherited, or acquired through defective digestion and assimilation.

To treat these eruptions with drying medicines is dangerous.

The thing to do is to help the system discharge the humors, and strengthen it against their return.

Hood's Sarsaparilla permanently cured J. G. Hines, of Franks, Ill., of eczema, from which he had suffered for some time, and Miss Alvina Wolter, Box 212, Algona, Wis., of pimples on her face and back and chafed skin on her body, by which she had been greatly troubled. There are more testimonials in favor of this great medicine than can be published.

Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Promises to cure and keeps the promise. Don't put off treatment. Buy a bottle of Hood's today.

GROVER HILL.

The highways are badly drifted, and will require considerable labor to make them passable, even.

Miss Marion E. Bennett has closed a long term of school in Greenwood, and has returned home.

Clyde L. Whitman was the guest of Robert Manning at North Waterford, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Spinney, who is suffering from the effects of an injured hand, is with relatives at Bethel village, for a few days.

Bert Bird was the guest of W. M. Browne and sons, last Sunday.

S. J. Walker was at his home in this place, Saturday.

J. M. Philbrook was in this section on business, recently.

F. E. B.

We heard a man say the other morning that the abbreviation for February—Feb.—means *Freeze every body*, and that man looked frozen in his ulster. It was apparent that he needed the kind of warmth that stays, the warmth that reaches from head to foot, all over the body. We could have told him from personal knowledge that Hood's Sarsaparilla gives permanent warmth, it invigorates the blood and speeds it along through artery and vein, and really fits men and women, boys and girls, to enjoy cold weather and resist the attacks of disease. It gives the right kind of warmth, stimulates and strengthens at the same time and all its benefits are lasting. There may be a suggestion in this for you.

NEWRY.

Mrs. Will Small returned home from St. Louis, Friday of last week.

M. L. Thurston and son Lee were at home from Andover, over Sunday.

Clifton Foster, wife and little boy Wilfred visited at Mr. Foster's brother's, Walter A. Foster, Sunday.

Mr. Percy Brink of Norway, has rented the town farm.

EAST BETHEL.

Miss Rose Kimball visited her home in this place last Saturday and Sunday.

J. M. Bartlett was home from Berlin, N. H., last Sunday.

Mrs. Eugene Bean is slowly recovering from lagrippe. She is attended by Dr. Twaddle.

G. K. Hastings, J. H. Swan and others are cutting and landing pulp wood on the banks of the river.

The Young Whist Club enjoyed a very pleasant evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Insley Young last Thursday night.

C. M. Kimball and Mr. F. B. Howe won the prizes. Refreshments of coffee, sandwiches, cake and cheese were served.



Any Child can be kept healthy, strong and cheerful by giving it occasional doses of

True's PIN WORM ELIXIR

It not only removes worms, but guards against them, and is a perfect tonic and blood purifier. It is the only purely vegetable vermifuge. So harmless that it cannot injure the most delicate child. It cures all kinds of pinworms, roundworms, etc. It is sold by all druggists. Send for it.

DR. J. F. TRUE & CO., Auburn, Me.

NEWRY CORNER.

H. S. Hastings took a trip to Portland Thursday, returning Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Ransom Cummings was in town, last week, acting as agent for an excellent magazine, the latest atlas, and also taking orders for picture frames.

Messrs. Howard and Ned Carter were buying logging sleds here, quite recently.

On Monday, Mr. E. R. Lane returned from a visit to Lewiston and Norway, on account of indisposition, which developed into pneumonia; at the latest intelligence he was still very ill. He is in charge of Dr. Twaddle.

Mrs. Neville Howard is caring for Miss Ann Rowe, during her illness.

Saturday afternoon, a little kid was added to H. S. Hastings' family of Angora goats.

J. R. Howard rejoices in his pure "Rhode Island Reds." From January first to February fifteenth the flock of sixty laid one thousand eggs.

"The Power of God" was the subject of Rev. W. H. Congdon's Sabbath discourse, founded on the words found in Romans 13: 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Holt with their daughter, Mrs. Clark, attended church here, last Sabbath.

Mrs. Tyler is confined to her room by illness.

Virgil Chapman commenced work at Swan's Corner, Monday.

Some of our horses are very sick with the prevailing distemper.

NORTH NEWRY.

Miss Lizzie Parker of Bethel, is the guest of Miss Fannie Kilgore.

Mr. Julian Farrar, who is at work for J. S. Allen, was at his home in Grafton, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Thurston visited his mother, Mrs. David Thurston at Bethel, last Saturday.

Mr. Ernest Thurston of Errol, N. H., passed through town on his way home from Andover, where he has been caring for his brother Guy, who has been very ill.

Miss Maenette Littlehale, who has been visiting her brother Leslie at Rockland, returned to her home in Newry, last Monday.

Mr. F. Walker and family of Rumford Falls, were called here, last week, to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Francis Walker.

A Hustler for Business.

Can earn big money by pushing the sale of stock in the Tex La Oil and Refining Company of Houston, Texas. This company is chartered for boring for transportation and marketing of oil. It has contracted for five wells on spindle top, on proven gusher ground. It also has fee simple holdings at Sour Lake, Saratogo, Damon Mound and High Island. All proven oil territory, besides holdings in the most promising fields. This company is bonafide and a hustler could make big money pushing the sale of their stock.

Write the secretary, E. H. McCormick, 610½ Main street, Houston, Texas for full particulars.

BRYANT POND.

Mr. Elbridge Crooker has been quite sick.

The Old Maids' Convention was a success in every way. About \$12 was cleared above expenses.

Dr. Carroll is in Mattawamkeag.

The house recently owned by Herbert Cole of Lynn, and purchased by Horace Berry, has been sold to Will Morse, who takes possession the first of April.

Mrs. Betsey Blodgett has gone to South Woodstock to care for Ed Andrews' mother who is quite ill.

Miss Bertha Cushman, who is teaching at Rumford Falls, was home Saturday and Sunday.

James Farnum Jr. has gone to Hiale, and his wife is staying with Mrs. Fred Lurvey.

Miss Ada and Miss Inez Briggs were guests of Mrs. E. J. Mann last Thursday.

Miss Myrta Gilman attended the dance at West Paris, Friday night of last week.

Mrs. Annie Jordan Beck of Norway, was the guest of Miss Alice Day, recently.

To Cure a Cold in One Day Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

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INTERNATIONAL STOCK FOOD

The finest article of its kind ever put on the market. Not to use it, is your loss. You can

Save Grain and Improve Your Stock.

Try one package and if not satisfactory I will refund your money.

E. H. YOUNG, BETHEL, MAINE.

A Pointer

That indicates the way the breeze of popular favor is blowing, is the gratifying support that we are receiving in our effort to save money for our customers.

Groceries

That are fresh and sweet at prices as low as the lowest. WILLIAM TELL FLOUR A SPECIALTY.

IRA C. JORDAN, BETHEL, MAINE.

WILSON'S MILLS.

Miss Bessie Searle has been visiting her many friends here.

R. S. Bean and C. T. Fox are at the Camp-at-the-Meadows, sawing a year's supply of wood.

Mrs. R. A. Storey is in Portland. Mr. Storey's brother, who was accidentally shot last fall, has been removed to the Maine General Hospital, and the bullet in his shoulder has been located and removed.

N. K. Bennett has gone to Bethel for medical treatment.

Miss Cecil Bennett has been spending a few days with her aunt, Mrs. P. J. Littlehale.

Miss Lillian Littlehale has been visiting friends in town.

Miss Addie Flint has returned home from Waltham, where she has been at work in the watch factory.

UPTON.

The dog owned by J. E. Brooks came in one day last week with several charges from a revolver in his head and limbs; his friends in pity ended his suffering a few hours after. He was a full blooded Shepherd and had been a faithful servant, pet and playfellow of the family, for over twelve years, and was far from being past his usefulness.

Mrs. Carrie Champion is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fuller, caring for their young son, born Jan. 9.

Mrs. Weston Sargent has a private school. The children of Mr. A. W. Judkins and Jas. McLeod go to her home every afternoon for instruction in common school studies.

Ada Abbott, who is spending the winter in Boston with a Mrs. Bailey who has been a visitor at her father's hotel, writes that she is enjoying her stay there very much.

Mrs. Minnie Abbott is working at Rumford Falls.

The Lakeside Hotel at Cambridge again has tenants.

It is rumored that the children of the late Fredland Bartlett are heirs of a considerable property left by an aunt of Mr. Bartlett.

Invitations have been received from Mrs. Susan Douglas of Bethel for the wedding of her eldest daughter, Ellen Elizabeth, to Mr. Silas F. Penaslee of this town.

Breeding Beauty SIZE and SPEED.

Breed to

El Sable, 28,046, bl. stallion,

16-1 hands, 1200 lbs.

Own brother to the great Sable.

Wilkes, (3) 2.18 to high wheels, sire of forty-one in 2.30 list, one a yearling, seven two-year-olds, fourteen three-year-olds, and one four-year-old in 2.11.

El Sable will be kept at the stable of L. A. Hall, Bethel, Me.

TERMS:

Season, \$10.00

Warrant, \$20.00

Send for further information to

L. A. HALL, Bethel, Maine

or

A. L. YOUNG, Auburn, Me.

Lunch Cloths.

Handsome breakfast or lunch cloths are woven with wide colored borders of flowers in one color, dark red, blue or brown, or with leaves and stems in a delicate green. Napkins, completing the set, are woven with narrow colored borders, repeating the pattern of the cloth.

Reading For Girls.

Miss Bates, professor of English at Wellesley college, speaking of reading for girls, says, "Every hour spent in reading trash is not merely so much time wasted, but is so much fitness blunted, so much dignity of mind debased."

When buying a broom, test it by pressing the edge against the floor. If the straws bristle out and bend, the broom is a poor one, for they should remain in a solid, firm mass.

Benzine and powdered magnesite mixed into a paste will clean white shoes. Rub on the paste and let it remain until dry; then rub off with a dry cloth.

The women of Japan are now largely employed in telephone and post offices, and they are excellent bookkeepers.

In dusting do not forget the backs of pictures hanging on the walls.

BUSINESS CARDS.

MISS E. E. BURNHAM,
Millinery, Fancy Goods and Jewelry,
BETHEL, ME.

HERRICK & PARK,
Attorneys at Law,
BETHEL, ME.

H. H. HASTINGS,
Attorney-at-Law,
Frye office, Bethel, Me.

A. W. GROVER,
Pension Attorney,
28 Main St., BETHEL, MAINE.
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J. B. TWADDELL, M. D.,
Physician and Surgeon,
BETHEL, ME.
Office and Residence at
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LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE.
DR. GARDNER L. STURDIVANT,
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Physician and Surgeon,
ANDOVER, MAINE.

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LODGING HOUSE AND RESTAURANT.
TRANSIENTS RECEIVE PROMPT ATTENTION.
MEALS AT ALL HOURS.
Bridge St., RUMFORD FALLS, ME.

HERRICK BROTHERS,
MACHINISTS,
Bicycle Repairing,
Fine Machine Work
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W. BETHEL,
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New Line
—OF—
Ladies' and Gents' Boots, Shoes,
and Rubbers.
Shoe Dressings of all kinds.
Rubber and Leather Cement.
Sole Leather by the side.
Crocheted Slipper Soles.
Repairing promptly attended to.

E. E. RANDALL,
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NORTHERN ASSURANCE CO.,
OF LONDON, ENGLAND.

Amount at Risk, \$230,218,260.00
CASH ASSETS, DEC. 31, 1901.
Real Estate owned by the
Company, unincumbered, \$ 130,000.00
Stocks and Bonds owned by
the Company, market value, 2,273,140.00
Cash in the Company's prin-
cipal office and in bank, 124,164.69
Interest due and accrued, 5,882.79
Bills Receivable, 7,826.57
Premiums in due course of
collection, 359,058.05
\$2,900,011.64
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1901.
Net amount of unpaid losses
and claims, \$ 174,925.21
Reserved for re-insurance, 1,268,051.00
Commissions and other de-
mands against the Co., 114,073.82
All liabilities except capital
stock and net surplus, 1,557,050.93
Surplus beyond capital, 1,342,961.61
\$2,900,011.64

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And Save a Doctor's Fee—If Test De-
notes Kidney Trouble Dr. Ken-
nedy's Favorite Remedy is
the Only Medicine That
Will Positively
Cure You.

Trial Bottle Free.

It is easy to tell whether your Kid-
neys or bladder are diseased. Take a
bottle or glass tumbler and fill it with
urine. If there is a sediment—a powder-
like substance—after standing a day
and night, if it is pale or discolored,
ropy or stringy, there is something
wrong with the Kidneys. Other sure
signs of disease are a desire to urinate
often, pain in the back, or if your urine
stains linen.

There is no question that Dr. David
Kennedy's Favorite Remedy is the best
and surest medicine in the world for
diseases of the Kidneys, Liver, Bladder
and Blood, Rheumatism, Dyspepsia,
Chronic Constipation, and the sicknesses
peculiar to women. It quickly relieves
and cures inability to hold urine and
the necessity of getting up a number of
times during the night. It puts an end
to that scalding pain when passing
urine and corrects the bad effects of
whiskey and beer. It is sold for one
dollar a bottle at all drug stores.

Send your full post office address to the
Dr. David Kennedy Corporation, "Ronde-
dout, N. Y." and receive this paper
free. They will mail you a trial bottle of
Favorite Remedy and a valuable medical
pamphlet, free, giving full directions for
its use. Every reader of this paper can
depend upon the genuineness of this
liberal offer, and all sufferers from the
diseases mentioned above should take
advantage of it at once.

WIT AND WISDOM.

Brown—"White is a man of poor
judgment. He never agrees with
me."
Gray—"But White says your
judgment is good for nothing."
Brown—"Doesn't that prove what
I say?"

Dyspepsia—bane of human exis-
tence. Burdock Blood Bitters
cures it, promptly, permanently.
Regulates and tones the stomach.*

First little boy—"My ma got a
new dress yesterday, and she thrw
her arms around pa's neck. What
does your ma do when she gits a
new dress?"
Second little boy—"She says
she'll forgive him, but he mustn't
stay out late again."

Is it a burn? Use Dr. Thomas'
Electric Oil. A cut? Use Dr.
Thomas' Electric Oil. At your
druggist's.*

"Of course you've heard Soprano
sing?"
"Yes indeed; often."
"Don't you think his voice has a
fine range?"
"Range? By the way he warms
up his audiences, I should say it
was a furnace."

Coughs and colds, down to the
very borderland of consumption,
yield to the soothing healing influ-
ences of Dr. Wood's Norway
Pine Syrup.*

Wife—"George, didn't you say
you were the heaviest bat'er on the
nine last summer?"
Husband—"Yes, dear."
Wife—"Well, would you mind
beating a carpet for me about half
an hour?"

Only one remedy in the world
that will at once stop itchiness of
the skin in any part of the body;
Doan's Ointment. At any drug
store, 50 cents.*

"No, George," she said, "I can
never be yours."
"Then I am rejected?" he moan-
ed.

"No, dearest, not that; but I am
a woman suffragist, and cannot be
any man's. You, however, may
be mine, if you will."

"I have used Chamberlain's
Cough Remedy for a number of
years and have no hesitancy in
saying that it is the best remedy
for coughs, colds and croup I have
ever used in my family. I have
not words to express my confidence
in this remedy.—Mrs. J. A.
Moore, North Star, Mich.

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel;
E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W.
Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison,
West Bethel.

He—"I shouldn't think that
Jones and his wife got along very
well together. She always calls
him an old bear."

She—"That's all right. She calls
him that because he hugs her so
much."

When you lack energy, do not re-
lish your food, feel dull and stupid,
after eating, all you need is a dose
of Chamberlain's Stomach & Liver
Tablets. They will make you feel
like a new man and give you an
appetite like a bear. For sale by
Wiley.

Jack's Mamma—"There were
three slices of cake in the pantry,
Jack, and now there is only one.
How does that happen?"
Jack—"It was so dark in there,
mamma, that I did not see the
third one."

**Mr. Wheeler Got Rid of His Rheu-
matism.**

During the winter of 1898 I was
so lame in my joints, in fact all
over my body, that I could hardly
hobble around, when I bought a
bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm.
From the first application I began
to get well, and was cured, and
have worked steadily all the year.
—R. Wheeler, Northwood, N. Y.
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E. L. Tebbets, Locke Mills; J. W.
Bennett, Gilead; H. W. Dennison,
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FREE FOR TOBACCO TAGS

FROM
"Star," "Horse Shoe," "Standard Navy," "Spoonhead," "Drummond," "Natural Leaf," "Good Luck," "Piper Heidsieck," "Boot Jack," "Nobby Spun Roll," "J. T.,"
"Old Honey," "Master Workman," "Jolly Tar," "Sickle," "Brandywine," "Cross Bow," "Old Peach and Honey," "Razor," "H. Rice, Greenville," "Tennessee Cradle,"
"Planet," "Reptile," "Ole Vargay," "Granger Twist," (two Granger Twist tags being equal to one of others mentioned). Red tin tags from "Tinsley's 16 oz. Natural Leaf"
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Nice For Lovers.
"If I am not too presumptuous," said
the young clerk, "I will ask you to look
at our new typewriter especially adapt-
ed for writing love letters."
"Oh," exclaimed the blushing maid,
"is there any difference?"
"Yes, indeed! Among the punctuation
points there is a little star for marking
kisses."—Philadelphia Record.

Literary Soliloquy.
"Whom did you discuss at your liter-
ary club this afternoon, dear?" asked
the husband in the evening.
"Let me see," murmured his wife.
"Oh, yes, I remember now! Why, we
discussed that woman who recently
moved into the house across the street
from us and Longfellow."—Ohio State
Journal.

A Financial View.
"Kustacia—I knew that man was a
physician by the way in which he
shook hands—his tender, delicate, con-
siderate touch."
Edgar—Yes, of course; that's his five
dollar touch.—Detroit Free Press.

Soothing.
Li Hung Chang had beyond all doubt
an iron will and a very unsentimental
heart. Once when he was viceroy of
Chili a man who had tampered with a
telegraph wire was brought before
him. The man wrung his hands and
begged for mercy, saying that he would
never touch the wire again.
"Don't be vexed, my good fellow,"
said Li, "or trouble yourself any fur-
ther about the matter. I shall take care
that it does not happen again."
Then he turned to the jailers and
gave the order, "Cut off his head!"

A Mean Man.
"He is the most inconsiderate man, I
understand."
"How?"
"He refuses to give his wife any
grounds on which to get a divorce with
alimony."—Chicago Post.

Sweeping.
"I was just telling my daughter,"
said Mrs. Nextdoor, "that it's a shame
of her to play the piano on Sunday."
"Huh!" exclaimed Mrs. Pepprey.
"Why Sunday especially?"

For Stomach Troubles.
"I have taken a great many dif-
ferent medicines for stomach trou-
ble and constipation," says Mrs.
E. S. Geiger of Dunkerton, Iowa, "but
never had as good results from
any as from Chamberlain's Stomach
& Liver Tablets." For sale by
Wiley.

Constipation
Does your head ache? Pain
back of your eyes? Bad
taste in your mouth? It's
your liver! Ayer's Pills are
liver pills. They cure consti-
pation, headache, dyspepsia.
25c. All druggists.

Caledonian Insurance Co. of Scotland.
Incorporated in 1805.
Cash Assets Dec. 31, 1901.
Real Estate, \$21,815 67
Stocks and bonds, \$ 1,398,900 00
Cash in office and bank, 60,334 36
Bills Receivable, 694 63
Interest and Rents, 12,120 50
Uncollected premiums, 161,597 47
All other assets, 2,555 89
Gross assets, \$1,865,818 89
Admitted assets, \$1,865,818 89
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1901.
Net unpaid losses, \$ 180,284 38
Unearned premiums, 794,659 57
All other liabilities, 78,335 72
Total, \$1,028,279 67
Surplus over all liabil-
ities, \$837,239 22
Total liabilities and
surplus, \$1,865,818 89
C. A. POST, U. S. Manager. 37

CASTORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the
Signature
of *Dr. J. C. Watson*

WOMAN
Hard to
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Doan's Kidney Pills

relieve a bad back and cure
every kidney and bladder dis-
ease, backache to diabetes.

Mrs. C. F. Goodnow, living
Ington street, New Britain,
"I gave a testimonial in De-
cember, 1901, in the Boston
and in the statement said I
bothered with my back and
over thirteen years, not con-
when I caught cold it gener-
my back, making it lame and
the pain through the small of
so severe as to make me cry
about Doan's Kidney Pills.
some from E. W. Thompson
store, on Main street. They
back immediately, and let a
Doan's Kidney Pills at the
last five years, when I felt
backache, coming on, and
brought instant relief. I am
them in the house."
Doan's Kidney Pills sold
everywhere, 50 cents; Posters-Mild
Bath, N. Y.

GRAND TRUNK

Time Table in Effect Decem-
ber 1, 1901.
TRAINS GOING EAST
Island Pond, leave, 2.30 A. M.
Gorham, 4.45
Gilead, 5.15
West Bethel, 5.45
BETHEL, arrive, 5.15
Locks Mills, 5.30
Bryant Pond, 5.45
South Paris, 6.00
Lewiston, 7.00
Portland, 8.00
TRAINS GOING WEST
Portland, leave, 8.15
Lewiston, 9.00
South Paris, 10.00
Bryant Pond, 10.25
Locks Mills, 10.35
BETHEL, arrive, 10.45
West Bethel, 10.55
Gilead, 11.05
Gorham, 11.35
Island Pond, 1.30
The train which leaves Is-
land Pond at 2.30 A. M., and the one
Portland at 6.00 P. M., run
all others every day except
Sunday paper train leaves
7.30 A. M., arriving at Bethel
and at Berlin, 11.15 A. M.
W. A. BUNTIN

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WANTED MEN OR WOMEN
COUNTY to sell the most re-
sponsible and useful article ever in-
vented. Large profits. Sam-
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Delivered at our F
coming winter, ONE
feet of Lumber, for whi
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buy Pine, Spruce, He
Basswood, White Bi
Birch, Yellow Birch, I
Oak, and Ash. We are
market for timber lots
the kinds of lumber ab
BETHEL MANUFACTU

A Card.

We, the undersigned,
agree to refund the mo-
cent bottle of Greene's
Syrup of Tar if it fails to
cough or cold. We also
a 25-cent bottle to provi-
ry or money refunded.
n13m G. R.

For Sale.

Stock of General M
\$8000—with loan of stor-
of business, situated
ing village on Grand
Annual business \$8000
Excellent location to
wood for Portland au
market. Apply to
JOHN F. COBB, Au

Pure Milk

delivered in Bethel Vill
per quart. Customers
in taking milk in the
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their milk in June, Ju
gust, at 4 cts. Drop m
C. G.

EXECUTOR'S NO

The subscriber hereby gives
has been duly appointed Exe-
of ALBERT S. TWITCHETT, is
in the county of COOS and State
shire, deceased, and given bo-
directors. All persons having
the estate of said deceased
present the same for settlem-
debted thereto are requested
sent immediately. John
Bethel, N. H. Jan. 1902.



WOMEN'S WOES.

Hard for any woman to do housework—to attend to daily duties with a constantly aching back. Every woman should learn the cause of backache and the cure.

Doan's Kidney Pills

relieve a bad back and cure it—cure every kidney and bladder disorder, from backache to diabetes.

Mrs. C. F. Goodnow, living at 143 Washington street, New Britain, Conn., says: "I gave a testimonial in December, 1898, touching the merits of Doan's Kidney Pills, and in the statement said that I had been bothered with my back and kidneys for over thirteen years, not constantly, but when I caught cold it generally settled in my back, making it lame and sore. Often the pain through the small of my back was so severe as to make me cry out. I read about Doan's Kidney Pills, and procured some from E. W. Thompson & Co.'s drug store, on Main street. They helped my back immediately, and in a short time relieved me of the trouble. I have taken Doan's Kidney Pills at intervals during the last five years, when I felt an attack of backache coming on, and they always brought instant relief. I am never without them in the house."

Doan's Kidney Pills sold at all drug stores; 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM

Time Table in Effect December 11, 1901.

TRAINS GOING EAST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Island Pond, leave,	2.30	6.30 1.15
Gorham,	4.34	8.20 3.14
Gilead,	...	8.38 3.37
West Bethel,	...	8.47 3.49
BETHEL, arrive,	5.14	8.53 3.58
Lockes Mills,	...	9.00 4.08
Bryant Pond,	5.30	9.05 4.16
South Paris,	6.03	9.30 4.44
Lewiston,	7.05	10.30 5.35
Portland,	8.00	11.15 6.30

TRAINS GOING WEST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Portland, leave,	3.15	1.30 6.00
Lewiston,	6.00	2.30 7.05
South Paris,	10.00	3.38 8.00
Bryant Pond,	10.28	4.16 8.40
Lockes Mills,	10.35	4.28 8.50
BETHEL, arrive,	10.46	4.38 9.03
West Bethel,	10.54	4.46 9.13
Gilead,	11.05	4.57 9.25
Gorham,	11.33	5.40 10.00
Island Pond,	1.30	7.50 12.20

The train which leaves Island Pond at 2.30 A. M., and the one which leaves Portland at 6.00 P. M., run every day; all others every day except Sunday. Sunday paper train leaves Portland at 7.30 A. M., arriving at Bethel 10.05 A. M., and at Berlin, 11.15 A. M.

W. A. BUNTING, Agent.

WANT COLUMN.

WANTED MEN OR WOMEN IN EVERY COUNTY to sell the most novel, ingenious and useful article ever invented for household use. Large profits. Sample for 10 cents. People's Supply Company, Waldeboro, Me.

WANTED BY

Bethel Manufacturing Co.

Delivered at our factory the coming winter, ONE MILLION feet of Lumber, for which the highest market price will be paid. We buy Pine, Spruce, Hemlock, Fir, Basswood, White Birch, Silver Birch, Yellow Birch, Rock Maple, Oak, and Ash. We are also in the market for timber lots containing the kinds of lumber above stated. BETHEL MANUFACTURING CO.

A Card.

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50-cent bottle of Greene's Warranted Syrup of Tar if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a 25-cent bottle to prove satisfactory or money refunded. n13n6 G. R. WILEY.

For Sale.

Stock of General Merchandise, \$3000—with loan of store, good will of business, situated in flourishing village on Grand Trunk R. R. Annual business \$8000 to \$10,000. Excellent location to buy cord wood for Portland and Lewiston market. Apply to JOHN F. COBB, Auburn, Me.

Pure Milk

delivered in Bethel Village at 5 cts. per quart. Customers that start in taking milk in the month of February and continue will get their milk in June, July and August, at 4 cts. Drop me a postal. C. C. MERRILL.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the will of ALBERT S. TWITCHELL, late of Gorham, in the county of Cooce and State of New Hampshire, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately. John Edgerton, Executor. Berlin, N. H., Jan. 10, 1902.

HOW TOM MISSED THE FIVE DOLLAR REWARD

It was about a week after the "reward notices" had been posted that little Mary Madderly was taken on as cash girl in the big dry goods house.

Young Tom fell in love with her immediately, as did every one in the place. The young ladies behind the counter who were wont to rap loudly with their lead pencils and call "Cash!" in tones of voice ranging generally from sharp to savage grew kind and gentle when they spoke to Mary. Usually it was: "Forty-nine, take this package and have it done up. Be quick about it; the lady's waiting!" But no one ever called Mary by her number. Somehow it would have sounded just as absurd as to allude to Edward VII. of England as K. No. 7. With this little cash girl it was always, "Mary, have this done up, there's a dear," or "Did you get your feet wet last night in the rain?"

If you'd ever been a little cash girl, you would know what all this means. It is the difference between being simply a tiny cog in a vast network of machinery and a human being with feelings and a soul.

Was she very pretty? I don't know. Neither could Tom have told you, I fancy. And yet he was always looking at her, with the result that he was constantly bumping into folks and knocking his elbows on sharp corners till the floorwalker suggested he had better go to an oculist to see if he weren't getting blind or something.

Well, as I have said, though Tom was forever gazing at Mary, his own eyes never got much farther than her great big violet ones. As Tom once described it: "It is like looking at two beautiful stained glass windows. Yer love to look at 'em, but yer can't jes' see through 'em." Now, of course, you know when a young gentleman gets talking about a young lady's eyes and likening them to stained glass windows it is quite certain he is spending a good deal of time thinking about her. Worse than that, Tom got to thinking about himself and wondering if, indeed, she ever did. Now, no healthy boy of twelve or fourteen ever thinks of himself unless some girl makes 'im.

Often after he got to bed Tom would be awake quite a half hour imagining delightful scenes in which Mary was the heroine and Tom, of course, the hero. Sometimes it would be a big fire and Tom in shirt sleeves and a fireman's helmet rescued Mary just in the nick of time. Sometimes he got to thinking about himself and wondering if, indeed, she ever did. Now, no healthy boy of twelve or fourteen ever thinks of himself unless some girl makes 'im.

Sometimes in these mental pictureings he permitted himself to be slightly injured so that he might give Mary a chance to shed a few tears over him and hold some smelling salts to his nose. He had seen this operation performed on many ladies who had fainted in the store, especially on bargain days.

Perhaps you think this was all very silly of Tom. You will if you are a very matter of fact person. But let me tell you that a large imagination goes mightily well with a small purse, and Tom earned just \$3 a week and had to live on it too.

One morning after having conjured up an especially lurid scene the night before, in which he had allowed himself to be unconscious from smoke for six hours, and Mary had cried over him and told him she loved him more than any one else in the whole world—he wasn't so unconscious but he could hear her—well, as I said, the next morning when he went to the store as usual little Mary was so demure and quiet and her "Good morning" was so absently said that poor Tom felt all his castles in the air tumbling about his ears.

Ah, Tom, if you might have seen through those "stained glass windows" into that little girl's heart!

She was thinking about you then, if you had only known it! She is wondering what you would think of her if you knew about her mother—and all.

Every noon hour Tom made Mary share his apple with him, for her own little lunch basket was uninviting enough. On pay day he invariably invested in 15 cents' worth of candy, which was as far as his income would allow him to treat the little cash girl.



TOM MADE MARY SHARE HIS APPLE.

But after the "reward notices" were posted he had many visions of ice cream and the circus. These notices announced that any employee in the store who might catch any one stealing or shoplifting would be paid \$5. Now, a good many small articles disappeared from day to day, and, of course, it was quite certain that there were several five dollar bills to be earned if one were only lucky. Tom did not

altogether like the idea of playing spy or profiting at another's expense; still he reasoned that any one wicked enough to take what did not belong to him deserved to be caught and punished.

One afternoon Tom was carrying a couple of stray parcels up to the "lost and found" desk, and as he passed the glove counter he glanced to the left just in time to see a shabbily dressed woman sweep some gloves off the counter and into the folds of her big umbrella.

"Jimenez crickets!" muttered Tom. "That five dollars is as good as mine already!" And he glanced about to see if any one had taken note of the clever theft. Apparently no one had, and the woman still stood at the counter, and presently Tom heard her ask the price of some gloves in a harsh, strident voice. Tom turned about to see Mary standing beside him.

"Say, Mary," he whispered excitedly, "I'm goin' to have five dollars in about three minutes, and then, I say, won't we have a bang up time! Would yer rather go to the circus or go for an excursion in a 'steamboat'? Why, Mary, aren't you listenin' to wot I'm sayin'?" he added, deeply hurt that the girl seemed to take no notice or interest in what he was telling her.

Then Tom saw that she was staring with all her eyes at the woman with the big umbrella. Her breath was coming in quick, short gasps, and she was trembling all over.

"Say," whispered Tom, "that there woman wot yer starin' at—"

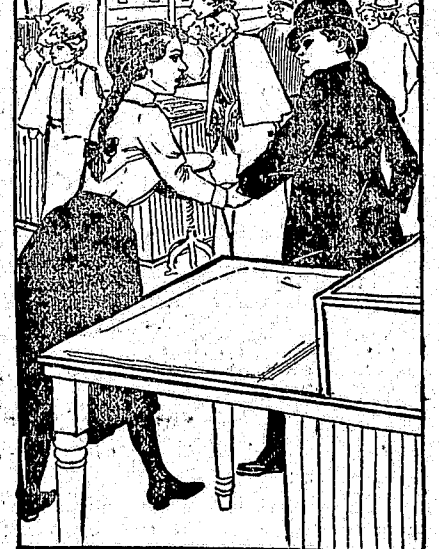
Mary looked up quickly at the boy. "Yes," she said in a queer, quiet little voice. "Yes; what has she been doing?"

"Doin'!" muttered Tom. "Why, she hasn't been doin' a thing but fillin' up her umbrella with gloves. Yer just see what happens now when I run over to the floorwalker and put him on to her!" And Tom started off. Then he stopped, for Mary had clutched one of his hands with both of hers.

"Don't, Tom," she said. "It would kill me if you did. She's my mother!"

The boy gasped and involuntarily drew back a step.

"You're not going back on me, now, Tom, are you?" said the girl piteously.



THEN HE STOPPED.

"Cos I can't help her being—like—that! She's tried and tried to get me to pick up things and bring them home," the girl went on, "and she's treated me awful 'cos I wouldn't. And now she's come and takes things herself, Tom, is it wicked to wish you was dead?"

"Ain't that a little hard on me?" asked Tom reproachfully.

The girl's lips quivered, and the tears came for the first time.

"You're right, Tom," she said softly. "I was forgetting you jes' then. I take that back. I don't really wish I was dead. If you'll jes' go on being good and kind like you've always been, why, maybe I can grow up to be a good woman some day."

Then suddenly she put her arms around his neck and kissed him. When Tom, with a very red face and a song in his heart, recovered from the shock, the girl had fled to the cloakroom.

Then the boy marched up to the woman, who was still wandering up and down, and touched her on the arm.

"Excuse me, ma'am," he said in a voice loud enough for the clerks to hear, "but I think I saw a couple of pairs of gloves fall in your umbrella off the counter."

The woman gave him one venomous glance, then she dove into the folds and fished out the pilfered articles. "Dear me!" she exclaimed, with well feigned surprise. "I declare if I haven't come near to walkin' off with some things as don't belong to me."

So vanished Tom's dream of a glorious five dollar treat. But that kiss had been no dream.

A Live Hatrack.

One of the first things to attract the attention of Baby Clarence was grand-ma's hatrack, made of a pair of deer's horns. One afternoon when he was three years old papa took him to a park. When relating the incidents of the trip to his mamma on their return, he exclaimed, "And, oh, mamma, I saw a deer, and he had a hatrack on his head!"

Glass, Air and Water.

Tumblers will hold winter because the globules of water are too big to squeeze through glass, but glass is as full of holes as a sponge, and air blows right through it.

A Small Boy's Growth.

Why can't boys get to be men 'thout taking time to grow, And what's the good of baby shoes And skirts, I'd like to know? Why can't I have some reg'lar pants, The kind with pockets in, And what's the good of horses when They are all made of tin? And why do folks 'most always say: "Look out!" "Be careful, dear!" It's not much fun to be a boy When people are so queer!

Hamburg-Bremen Fire Insurance Company of Hamburg, Germany.

Assets Dec. 31, 1901.	
Collateral Loans	\$ 30,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	1,335,870.84
Cash in office and Bank	83,214.90
Agents' Balances	2,581.20
Interest and Rents	10,354.16
Uncollected Premiums	94,455.20
Gross Assets	\$1,569,726.30
Deduct items not admitted	2,581.20
Admitted Assets	\$1,567,145.10
Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1901	\$ 1,013,385.00
Net unpaid losses	\$ 101,385.00
Unearned Premiums	\$ 1,103,655.80
Total	\$1,205,040.80
Surplus over all liabilities	\$364,084.30
Total liabilities and surplus	\$1,569,726.20

FREELAND HOWE, Agent, 37 Norway, Me.

Queen Insurance Company of America.

Assets Dec. 31, 1901.	
Real Estate	\$ 710,144.73
Stocks and Bonds	3,877,508.53
Cash in office and Bank	195,016.05
Interest and Rents due and accrued	47,072.34
Uncollected Premiums	425,118.10
All other Assets	6,168.94
Gross Admitted Assets	\$5,062,846.19
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1901	\$ 1,901,249.35
Net unpaid losses	\$ 238,719.43
Unearned Premiums	\$ 1,855,735.73
All other Liabilities	\$ 170,095.77
Total	\$2,255,068.93
Cash Capital	\$ 500,000
Surplus over all liabilities	\$2,307,782.26

\$5,062,846.19

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London Assurance Corporation of London, England.

Assets Dec. 31, 1901.	
Stocks and Bonds	\$1,967,363.74
Cash in office and Bank	191,249.35
Bills Receivable	10.27
Interest and Rents	5,212.49
Uncollected Premiums	298,128.90
All other assets	7,298.63
Gross Assets	\$2,467,263.38
Deduct items not admitted	...
Admitted Assets	\$2,467,263.38
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1901	\$ 144,358.96
Net unpaid losses	\$ 953,511.69
Unearned Premiums	\$ 82,894.51
All other liabilities	...
Total	\$1,180,765.16
Cash Capital, Deposit Capital	\$200,000.00
Surplus over all liabilities	\$1,086,498.22

\$2,467,263.38

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Lloyds Plate Glass Insurance Co. of New York.

Incorporated in 1882.	
Amount at risk, \$17,008,024.15.	
Cash assets Dec. 31, 1901.	
Real estate owned by the company unincumbered	\$ 265,000.00
Stocks and bonds owned by the company, market val.	355,364.40
Cash in company's principal office and in bank	18,551.64
Premiums in due course of collection	60,993.36
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1901.	\$679,909.40
Net amount of unpaid losses and claims	\$ 3,214.02
Reserved for re-insurance, Commissions and other demands against the Co.	282,454.39
All liabilities except capital stock and net surplus	27,080.63
Capital paid up in cash	263,649.04
Surplus beyond capital	250,000.00
Total	\$679,909.40

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U. S. Branch, Sun Insurance Office.

Assets Dec. 31, 1901.

Real Estate	\$ 250,000.00
Mortgage Loans	188,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	1,098,447.50
Cash in office and Bank	248,006.16
Agents' Balances	171,884.01
Interest and Rents	19,012.13
Uncollected Premiums	81,643.00
Admitted Assets	\$2,657,954.44
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1901.	\$ 193,691.98
Net unpaid losses	\$ 1,518,752.50
Unearned Premiums	13,867.10
All other liabilities	...
Total	\$1,725,811.53
Surplus over all liabilities	932,142.91

\$2,657,954.44

FREELAND HOWE, Agent, 37 Norway, Me.

The Franklin Fire Insurance Company of Philadelphia.

Assets Dec. 31, 1901.	
Real Estate	\$ 223,000
Mortgage Loans	118,398
Collateral Loans	55,500
Stocks and Bonds	2,550,127.50
Cash in office and Bank	60,761.35
Interest and Rents	1,890.96
Uncollected Premiums (net)	72,383.72
Gross Assets	\$3,087,001.53
Admitted Assets	\$3,087,001.53
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1901	\$ 40,750.80
Net unpaid losses	\$ 1,560,018.82
Unearned Premiums	...
Total	\$1,608,761.81
Cash Capital	\$ 400,000.
Surplus over all liabilities	\$1,078,246.32

\$3,087,001.53

The American Insurance Co., Philadelphia, Penn.

Assets Dec. 31, 1901.

Real Estate	\$ 307,178.64
Mortgage Loans	882,258.56
Collateral Loans	2,700.00
Stocks and Bonds	706,652.00
Cash in Office and Bank	72,000.00
Interest and Rents	20,000.00
Uncollected Premiums	160,531.00
All other Assets, Ground Rent	10,520.00
Gross Assets	\$3,360,388.80
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1901	\$ 179,563.76
Net unpaid Losses	\$ 1,614,238.00
Unearned Premiums	\$ 20,351.00
All other Liabilities	...
Total	\$1,734,172.76
Cash Capital	\$ 500,000.00
Surplus over all liabilities	\$1,234,172.76
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$3,360,388.80

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THE HOME INSURANCE COMPANY, NEW YORK.

ASSETS, DEC. 31, 1901.	
Real Estate.....	\$ 1,433,822.06
Mortgage Loans.....	128,750.00
Stocks and Bonds.....	1,947,703.00
Cash in Office and Bank.....	718,517.61
Bills Receivable.....	122.35
Agents' Balances.....	456,816.79
Interest and Rents.....	288,683.91
Uncollected Premiums.....	329,432.82
Gross Assets.....	\$15,227,354.77
Deduct Items not admitted.....	33,761.82

LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1901.	
Net Unpaid Losses.....	\$ 771,640.68
Unearned Premiums.....	5,777.00
All other Liabilities.....	455,832.39
Total.....	\$ 1,233,250.07
Cash Capital.....	3,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities.....	\$ 966,312.88

Total Liabilities and Surplus.....	\$15,194,102.95
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FIRE ASSOCIATION, of Philadelphia.

Assets, Dec. 31, 1901.	
Real estate.....	\$ 518,340.86
Mortgage loans.....	1,371,570.49
Collateral loans.....	66,850.00
Stocks and bonds.....	3,132,919.25
Cash in office & bank.....	273,329.70
Interest and rents.....	61,641.33
Uncollected premiums.....	741,892.38
All other assets.....	8,564.33

Gross assets.....	\$6,175,108.34
Deduct items not admitted.....	19,415.86

Admitted assets.....	\$6,155,692.48
Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1901.....	
Net unpaid losses.....	\$ 415,565.66
Unearned premiums.....	4,488,869.60
All other liabilities.....	214,299.56

Total.....	\$5,118,734.82
Cash capital.....	500,000.00
Surplus over all liabilities.....	536,957.66

Total liabilities and surplus.....	\$6,155,692.48
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W. J. WHEELER & CO., Agents, So. Paris, Me.

Orient Insurance Company, HARTFORD, CONN.

Assets, Dec. 31, 1901.	
Real Estate.....	\$ 78,925.21
Mortgage loans.....	120,900.00
Stocks and bonds.....	1,629,483.86
Cash in office & bank.....	102,791.75
Bills receivable.....	44.00
Agents' balances.....	714.61
Interest and rents.....	26,372.13
Uncollected premiums.....	123,498.99
All other assets.....	81,590.50

Gross assets.....	\$2,164,321.05
Admitted assets.....	2,164,321.05
Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1901.....	
Net unpaid losses.....	\$ 138,451.28
Unearned premiums.....	817,136.20
All other liabilities.....	5,144.95

Total.....	\$960,732.52
Cash capital.....	500,000.00
Surplus over all liabilities.....	703,588.53

Total liabilities and surplus.....	\$2,164,321.05
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WALLACE R. TARBOR, Agent, Fryeburg, Maine.

Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society, of Norwich, England.

ASSETS, DEC. 31, 1901.	
Mortgage Loans.....	\$ 40,000.00
Stocks and Bonds.....	1,773,067.00
Cash in Office and Bank.....	148,303.28
Interest and Rents.....	18,048.96
Uncollected Premiums.....	166,292.43
All other Assets.....	1,820.51
Gross and admitted assets.....	\$ 2,171,048.68
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1901.....	
Net unpaid Losses.....	140,401.77
Unearned Premiums.....	1,845,338.41
All other Liabilities.....	21,635.86
Total.....	\$1,911,446.04
Surplus over all Liabilities.....	\$1,259,602.64
Total Liabilities and Surplus.....	\$2,272,048.68

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SOLVING A PROBLEM.

The Green Country Brakeman Who Introduced the "Saw By."

Many years ago a green country boy applied to the superintendent of a western railway for work and, somewhat against the superintendent's wish, on account of the danger to life and limb attendant upon such occupation, was given a place as brakeman of a freight train.

On one of his first trips it happened that his train met another freight train at a station where the sidetrack was not long enough to accommodate either of them. The conductors were debating which train should back up to a point where they could pass when the new hand ventured to suggest that neither should back; that they could pass each other by means of the short sidetrack if the thing was managed right.

The idea excited a good deal of laughter on the part of the old trainmen, but the boy stood his ground. "Well, how would you go about it?" asked one of the conductors, confident that the lad would soon find himself against a stump.

The boy took up a stick and traced in the sand a diagram to illustrate his plan.

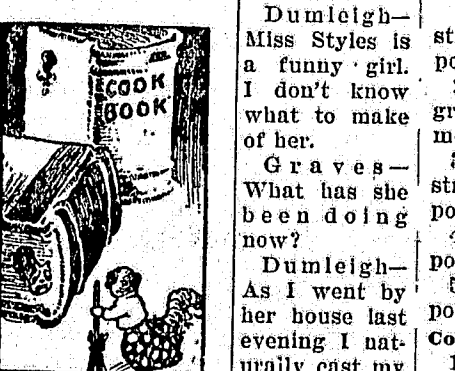
"Good gracious!" said the conductor. "I believe that will do it!" And it did do it. Today every trainman in America probably knows how to "saw by" two long trains on a short sidetrack, but it is not so generally known that the thing was never done until an inexperienced country boy who became the manager of a great railway line worked out the problem for himself.

Hard Luck.



"Naw, I alpt goin' to hang up me stockin's dis year. I done it las' year, and blamed if some one didn't steal em'—New York Journal.

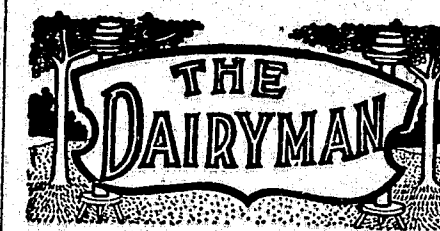
In Trouble.



Willie Bookworm—Ma, I feel so queer! Mother—You've been eating some of those rich, indigestible recipes in the cookbook again, you naughty boy!—Chicago News.

Abbreviations in Letters.

Emerson said that "in a letter any expressions may be abbreviated rather than those of respect and kindness. Never write 'Yours affly.' But, be it said with all respect, this smacks of pedantry. The close of a letter is mere formula and is precisely that part which in writing to a friend may without risk of misunderstanding be cut short or dispensed with. But no haste or degree of familiarity excuses careless expressions in the letter itself. Written words stand by themselves. The tone of the voice and the glance of the eye, which often convey more than half the meaning, are not there as footnotes. Many and many an unintentional sting has been planted by a clumsy phrase or halting expression. The same principle holds good in conversation.—Blackwood's Magazine.



The cream should always be strained into the churn and the butter color added immediately, if color is to be used. There should be no variation in the speed of churning, as too fast or too slow a speed will cause a rise in temperature, resulting in too soft a butter, says M. H. Matts in Kansas Farmer. Churns must be ventilated a couple of times after they start to let out gases of fermentation, which are always present.

Be sure of a proper churning temperature, as cream will sometimes produce what is known as foaming and will nearly fill the churn. This may be caused either by too much speed at starting, churn too full of cream or cream being too cold (especially a thin cream). The best remedy is to divide the cream into two churnings and proceed at a proper churning temperature. In my experience I have found cream after being churned for between four and five successive hours, then given a rest of about an hour, began to break in ten minutes after starting the second time.

After the first stop the cream was not apparently any nearer the breaking point than when first started. After the butter granules have reached the size of a "pin's head," or from one-sixth to one-eighth of an inch in diameter, the buttermilk is drawn off and strained through a hair strainer; then water at the temperature of 45 to 55 degrees F., depending on the temperature of the atmosphere, of about the same quantity as the buttermilk is added to the butter and the churn revolved a few times.

Usually one washing is sufficient, though the wash water should drain comparatively clear. The amount of washing will depend on the size of the butter granules and the condition the cream is in. Both under and over-ripe cream will require more washing than properly ripened cream. The importance of using clean and pure wash water cannot be overestimated.

The butter is now in a condition to salt, and the amount to use varies widely under different conditions. Salt preserves butter to a certain extent and greatly improves the taste. If salt has been used in washing, the finished butter will not require as much, or, in other words, the drier the butter the less salt needed. From one to two ounces of salt per pound of butter fat should be used. Butter only retains from one-half to three-fourths of the salt, depending upon the condition of the salt, which should be kept fine and in a clean place, as it absorbs odor. The salt does not enter the individual butter granules or grains, but is dissolved in the water present, and any excess of it promptly coheres to the surface of the grains and is pressed between them. Thus we see the importance of the kind and right use of salt.



In an ordinary herd cows will be found that vary considerably in their milk yield. It stands to reason that a cow giving ten pounds of milk daily does not need the same quantity and quality of feed as a cow giving twenty or thirty pounds daily, says D. H. Otis in Kansas Farmer. The following rations indicate the amount needed daily per head where different amounts of milk are produced. Where cottonseed meal is used cows should be accustomed to it gradually. Allow a half pound the first day and increase "hot over a quarter or one-fifth pound per cow per day:

Cows Giving Eleven Pounds of Milk.
1. Alfalfa hay 10 pounds, wheat straw 10 pounds, ground wheat 5 pounds.
2. Corn fodder (stover) 20 pounds, ground wheat 4½ pounds, cottonseed meal 2 pounds.
3. Corn fodder 15 pounds, wheat straw 5 pounds, ground wheat 4 pounds, cottonseed meal 2 pounds.

4. Sorghum hay 20 pounds, bran 3½ pounds, cottonseed meal 2 pounds.
5. Prairie hay 20 pounds, bran 3 pounds, cottonseed meal 1½ pounds.

Cows Giving Sixteen Pounds of Milk.
1. Alfalfa hay or soy bean hay 10 pounds, oat hay 8 pounds, ground wheat 6 pounds.
2. Alfalfa hay 8 pounds, millet hay 12 pounds, bran 5 pounds.
3. Alfalfa 10 pounds, millet 8 pounds, wheat 6 pounds.

4. Sorghum hay 20 pounds, ground wheat 5 pounds, cottonseed meal 3 pounds.
5. Prairie hay 10 pounds, corn fodder (stover) 10 pounds, bran 7 pounds, oil meal 2 pounds.

Cows Giving Twenty-two Pounds.
1. Alfalfa hay 15 pounds, oat straw 5 pounds; Kaffir corn meal 8 pounds, ground wheat 1½ pounds.
2. Alfalfa hay 10 pounds, sorghum hay 8 pounds, ground barley 5 pounds, bran 7 pounds.
3. Sorghum hay 15 pounds, millet hay 5 pounds, bran 7 pounds, cottonseed meal 3 pounds.

4. Corn fodder (stover) 10 pounds, cowpea hay 10 pounds, corn and cob meal 7 pounds, bran 4 pounds, soy bean meal 1 pound.
5. Prairie hay 10 pounds, soy bean hay 10 pounds, ground wheat 8 pounds, oil meal 1 pound.

The Skimmilk Cow.

It is the skimmilk cow, whether imported or home raised, that keeps the average of production down in the dairy herd.

MISAPPLIED WORDS.

Some Expressions the Use of Which Should Be Reformed.

"Extra" is an abused word. People say "extra good" or "extra cheap" in order to intensify "good" and "cheap." But "extra" has no such force. So far from intensifying a given condition, it denies it by indicating that the thing so described lies outside the sphere or quality named. Thus, "extra judicial" does not mean more than ordinarily judicial, as though a judge had dredged his conscience in giving an opinion, but outside of judicial and therefore incapable of being judged at all in the prescribed way.

A grievous fault is the use of "identify" in a phrase like this, "He is identified with the antivaccination movement." A man can only identify himself with another man or set of men. He can identify himself with the opponents of vaccination—and even here the word carries a shade of meaning of its own, distinguishing the phrase from such a one as "he joined the opponents of vaccination."

One should not speak of "high" or "low" caliber; but, remembering the meaning of "caliber," one should apply to it only such adjectives as "great" or "small."

It is wrong to speak of a "consensus of opinion." The word "consensus" itself means an agreement of thought and should stand alone.—Academy.

Crank and Epicure.

"A traveling crank and epicure had the audacity to ask the head steward shortly before my boat sailed from Liverpool for New York," said a waiter on an ocean liner, "if he would mind changing three of the courses on the bill of fare for others which he preferred. He was informed politely but firmly that there were other passengers besides himself sailing on the vessel and that if he thought he could not survive on the excellent fare provided during the voyage all he had to do was to book with another line and his passage money would be returned to him."

"Steamship companies are not in the habit of returning passage money when once paid, as is well known, but in this instance we would willingly have done so."

"Our fastidious passenger did not book with another line, however, and, what is more, he ate enough at each meal on the trip to satisfy two men with sea air appetites and presented to the waiter, who attended with extreme good nature to his likes and dislikes throughout the voyage, the magnificent sum of 15 cents."—New York Mail and Express.

His Lovely Manners.

A benevolent looking man boarded a downtown elevator already occupied by three women upward bound. With a Chesterfieldian air he respectfully doffed his hat and held it in his hand until he had reached his destination. "What a charming man! Such lovely manners!" gushed the women in chorus.

A few minutes later the benevolent looking man of the lovely manners reached his office. Pitching his hat on the back of his beneficent head, sprawling himself down in true manly abandon at his desk, puffing a clay pipe in an artistic masculine fashion, occasionally exhorting in the vicinity of a cuspidor, he greets his six-dollar-a-week-for-ten-hours-a-day stenographer by jocularly inquiring why in thunder those legal papers aren't finished. Lovely man!

Oh, yes; very!—San Francisco Wave.

The Wrong Crop.

Visiting an out of the way English parish when the incumbent happened to be away, a former archdeacon of Suffolk was, it is related, shown round by the clerk. On arriving at the churchyard he found a fine crop of wheat growing in it.

"Dear, dear!" said the archdeacon. "I can't approve of this. I really did not think Mr. — would have planted wheat in the churchyard."

"That's just what I told parson," said the clerk. "I says, 'ye didn't ought to have wheated it; ye ought to have tatered it!'"

When Wives Were Sold.

A century or so ago wife selling was not an uncommon event in England, as the following item, which appeared in the London News of Nov. 21, 1801, would show:

"On Friday a coal porter exhibited his wife in Smithfield, with a halter round her neck, for sale. He demanded a guinea for her, but she hung on hand for some time, until a man of good appearance made the purchase, and packing her, halter and all, into a hackney coach drove for Blackfriars bridge, amid the huzzas of the mob."

The Left Over Baby.

A woman went into a big department store and checked her baby while she shopped. When she went to get her baby, she found she had lost her check.

The manager said she would have to wait until when all the other babies were taken out she could have the one that was left, but the baby left over was a colored baby. This was all right, however, as the woman was colored.—Aitchison Globe.

Deep Sea Life.

In the abysses of the oceans, below 500 fathoms many animals have either imperfect eyes or none. Their condition in this regard affords a suggestive parallel to that of cave life, and the causes are probably the same. Science is of the opinion that all deep sea life originally emigrated from the shallows.

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